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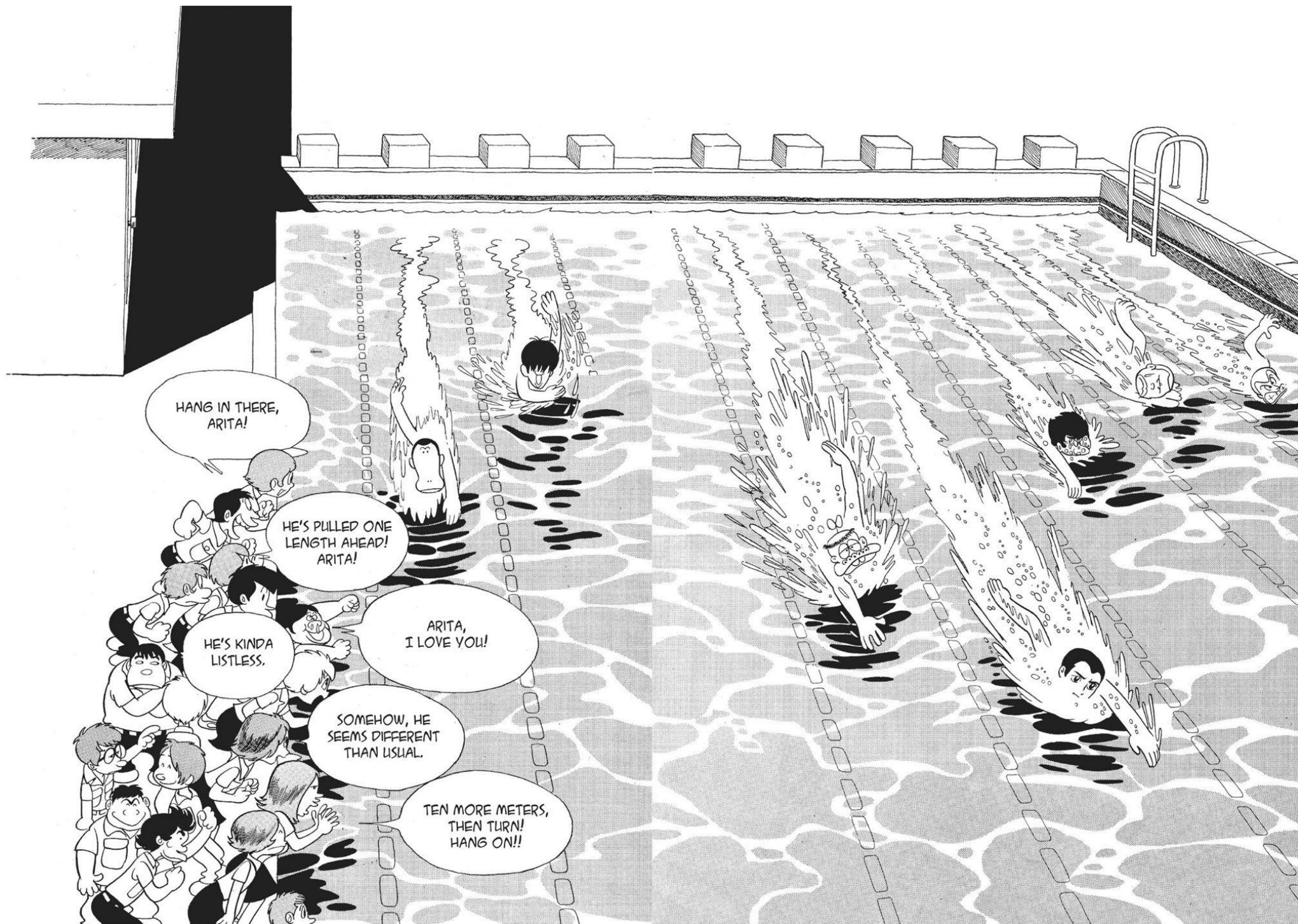
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WATER AND THE BADNESS



HANG IN THERE,
ARITA!

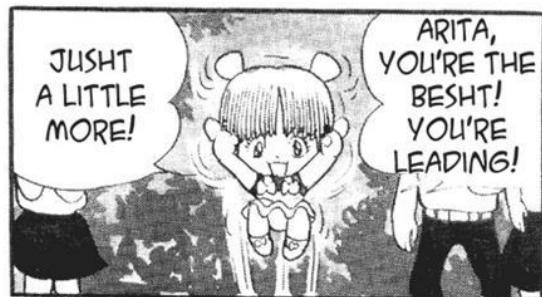
HE'S PULLED ONE
LENGTH AHEAD!
ARITA!

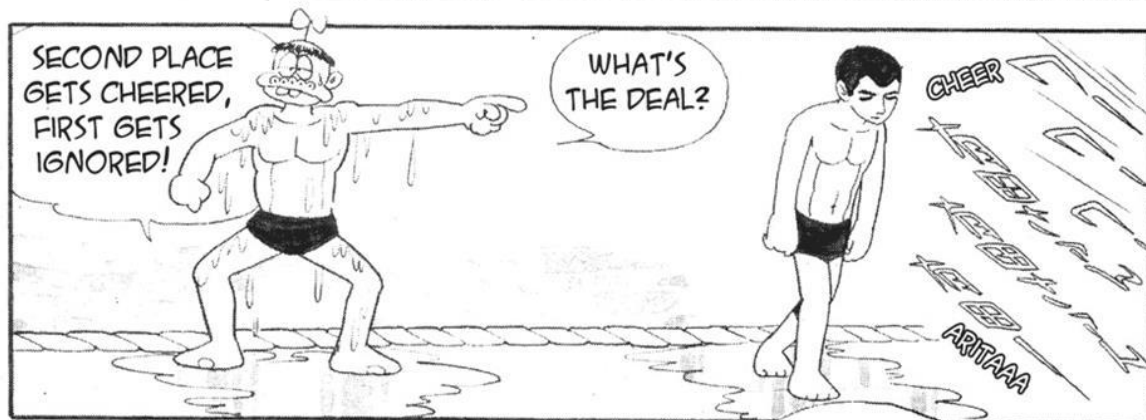
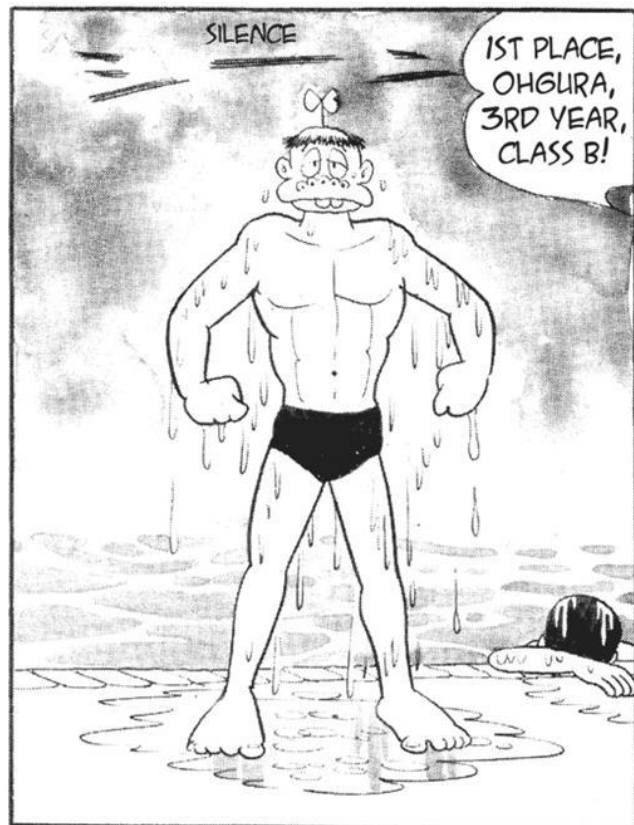
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LISTLESS.

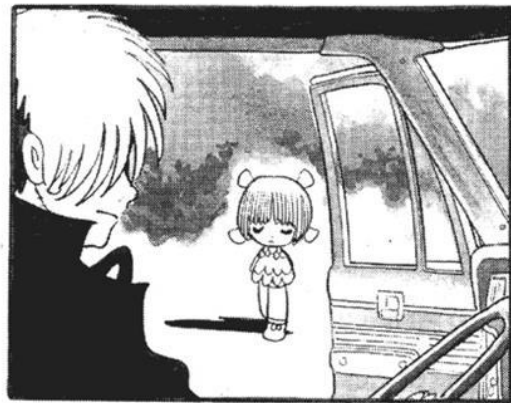
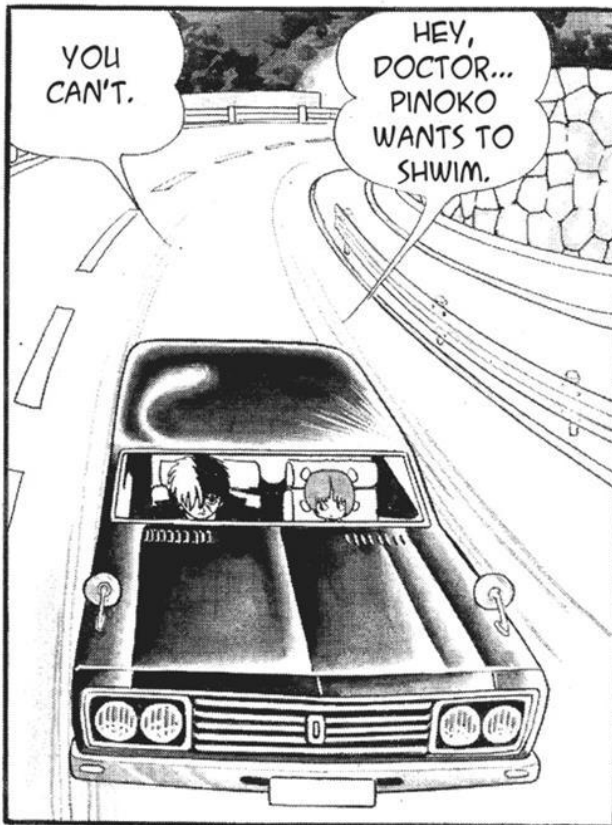
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I LOVE YOU!

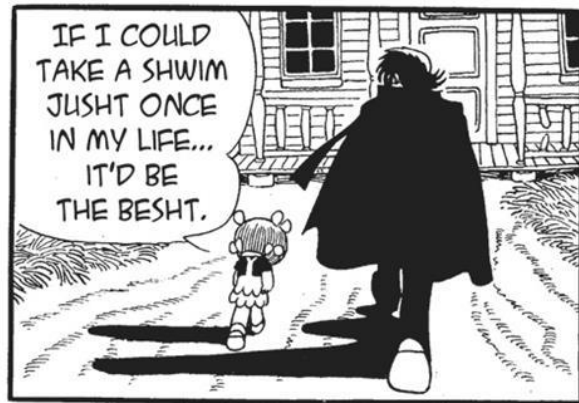
SOMEHOW, HE
SEEMS DIFFERENT
THAN USUAL.

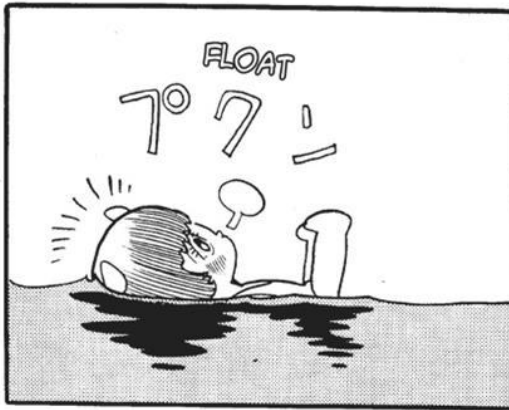
TEN MORE METERS,
THEN TURN!
HANG ON!!









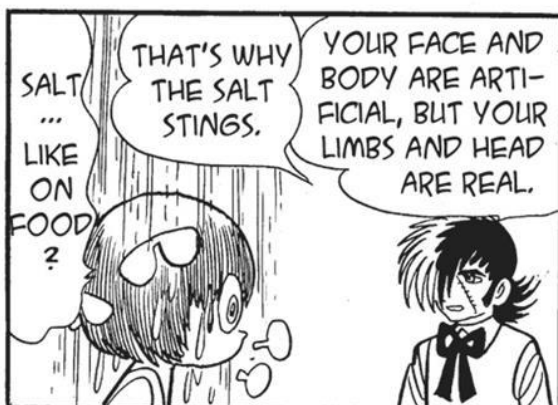


WAAH,
PINOKO
FLOATS
!!

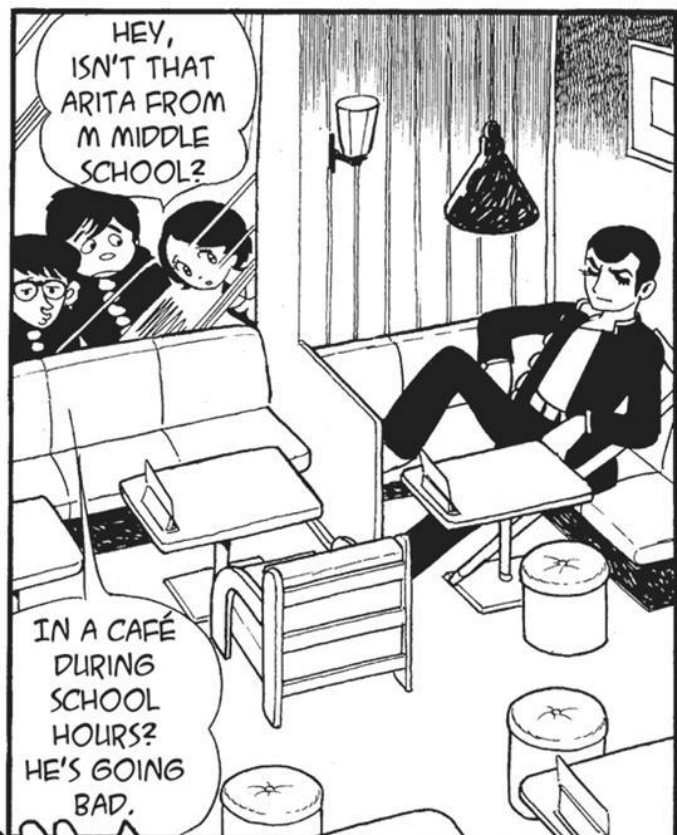
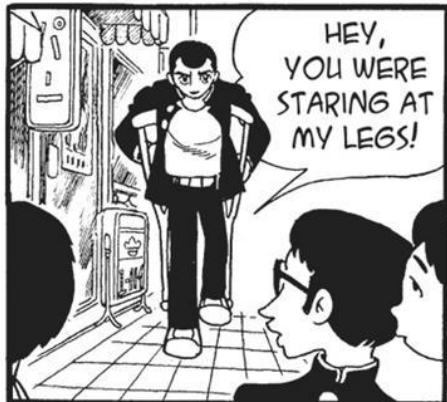


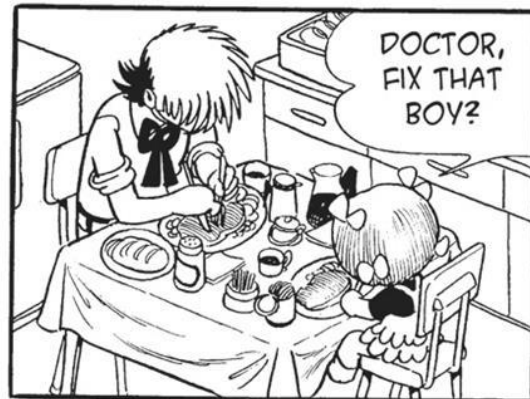
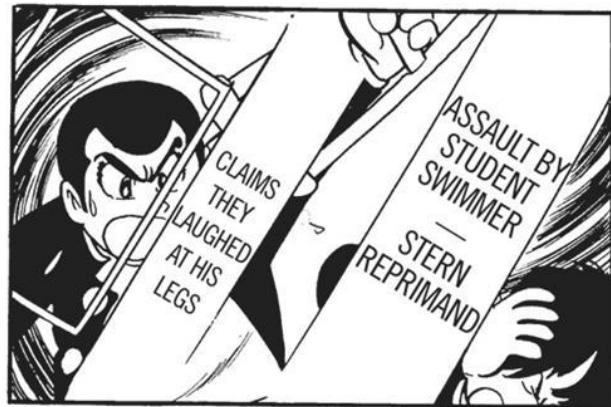


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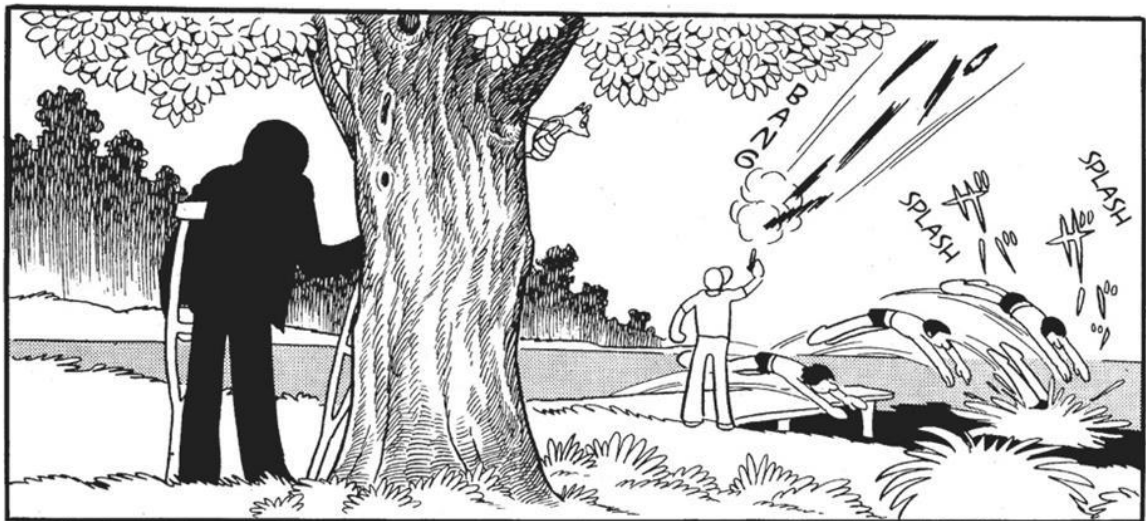


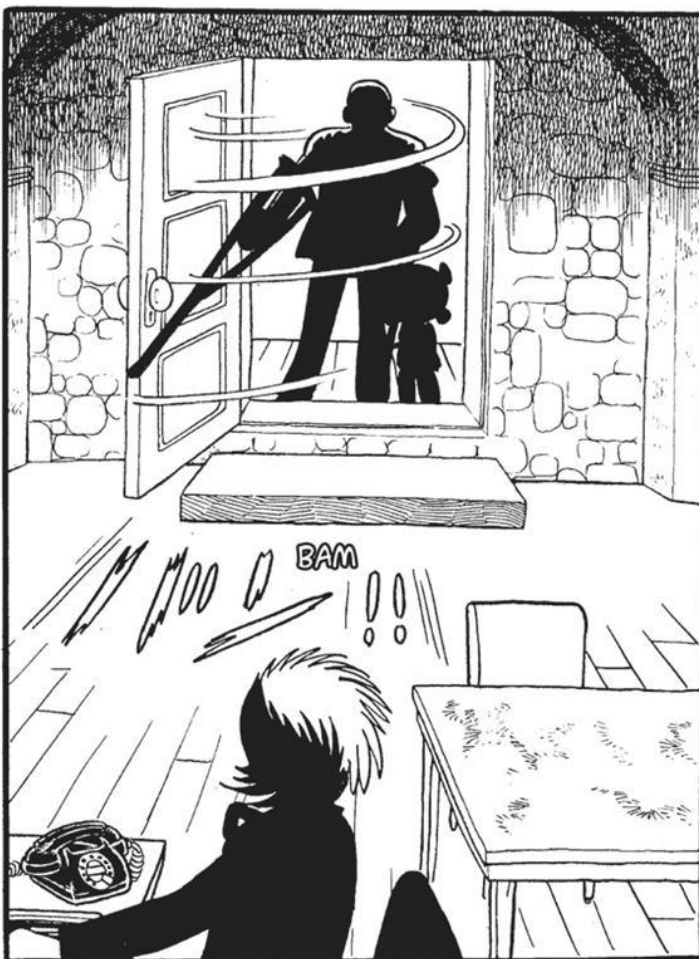


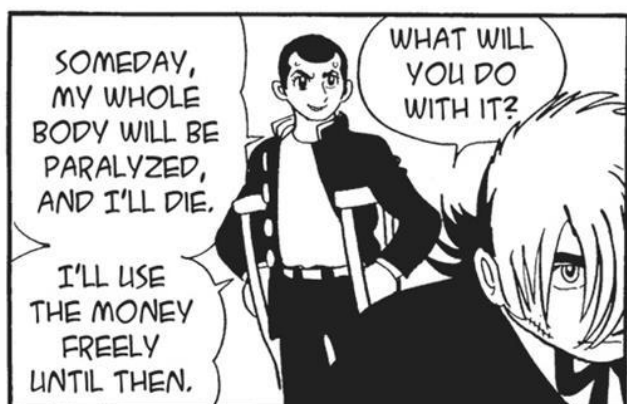
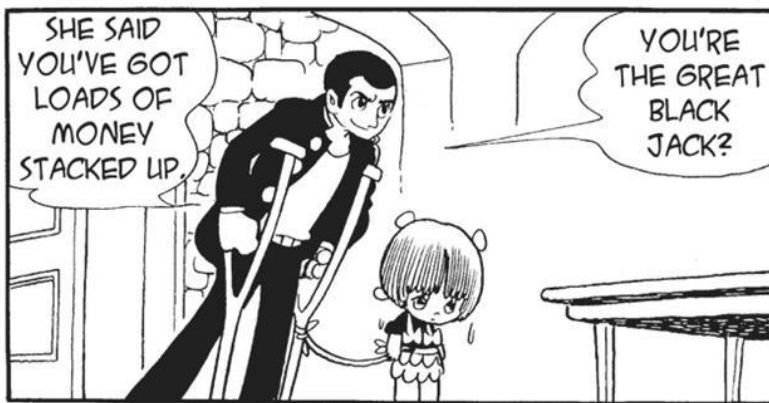


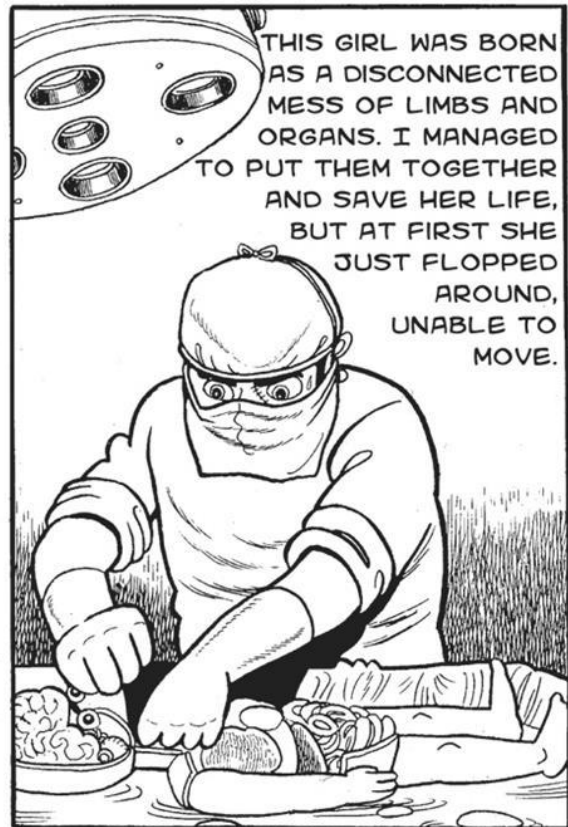
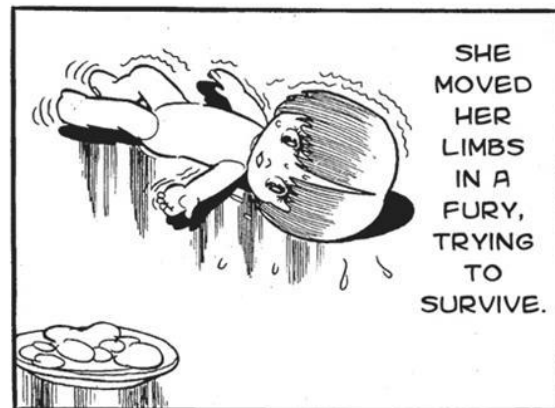
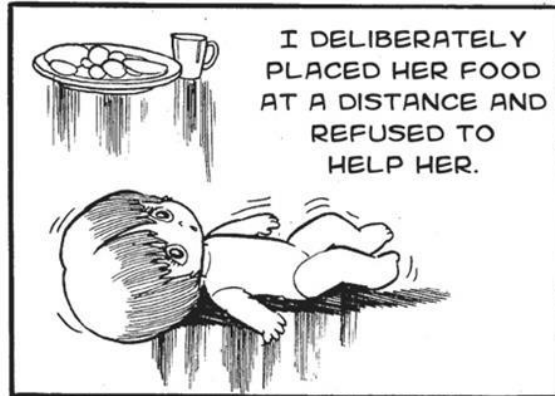
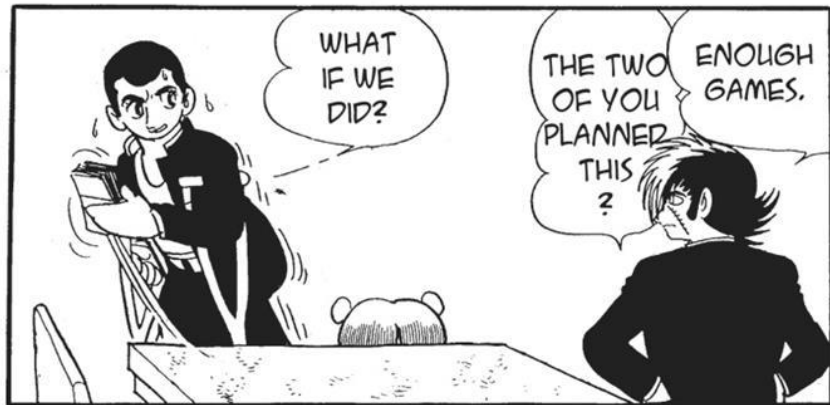








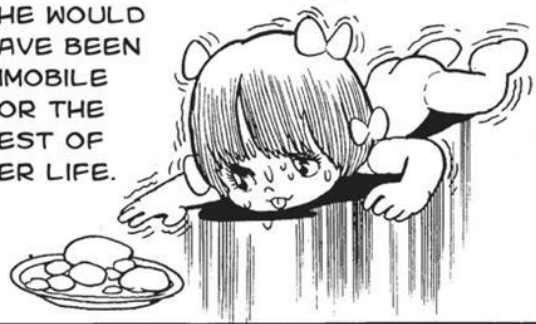




ON THE
20TH DAY,
SHE
FINALLY
STOOD
UP BY
HERSELF
...



IT WAS A CRUEL WAY TO RAISE HER...
BUT IF I HADN'T DONE IT,
SHE WOULD
HAVE BEEN
IMMOBILE
FOR THE
REST OF
HER LIFE.



CAN YOU
IMAGINE
THE
HARDSHIP
AND
SUFFERING
?



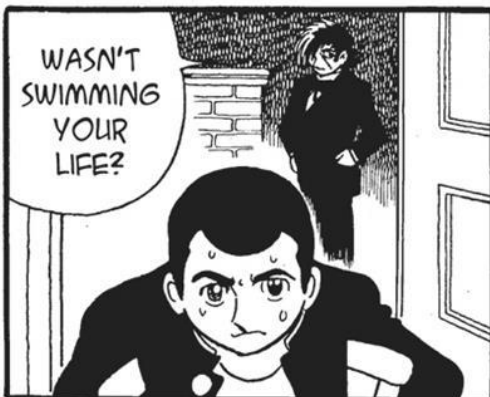
SHE LEARNED TO WALK,
GETTING
COVERED
IN BLOOD.



IN THE
NEXT 10
DAYS



WASN'T
SWIMMING
YOUR
LIFE?



BUT IT'S
BABYISH OF YOU
TO GIVE UP
SWIMMING SO
EASILY AND
CONSOLE
YOURSELF WITH
CASH.

YOU
MAY NOT
RECOVER,
EVER.



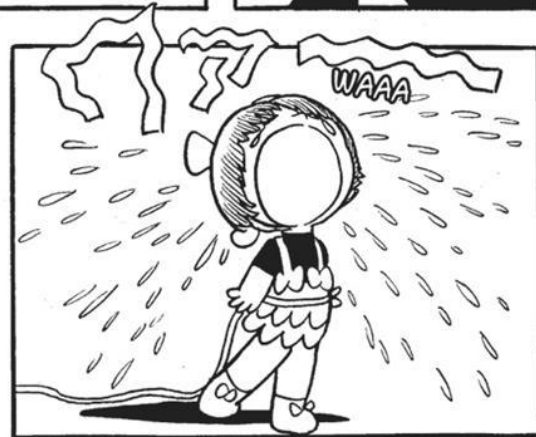
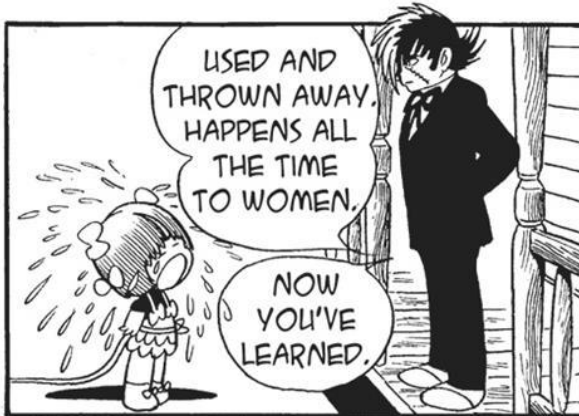
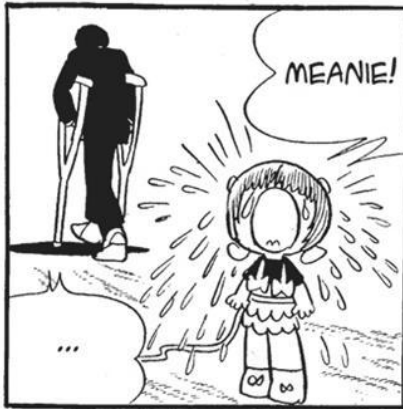
HEY,
I'M GLAD
YOU GOT
YOUR
MONEY.

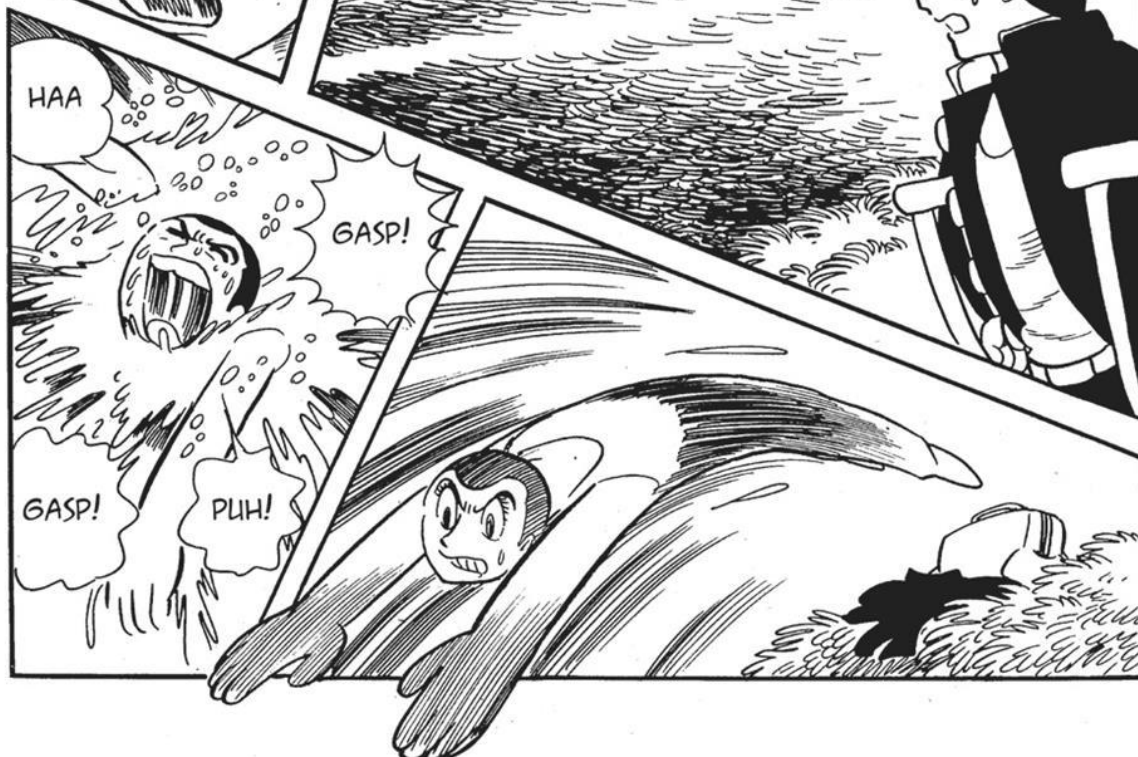
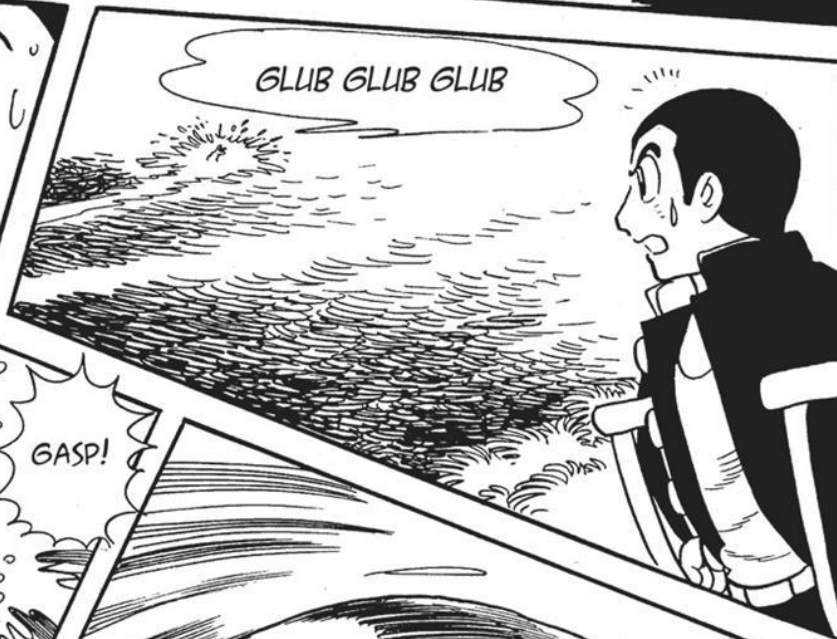
SHUT
IT!



SHUT
UP!

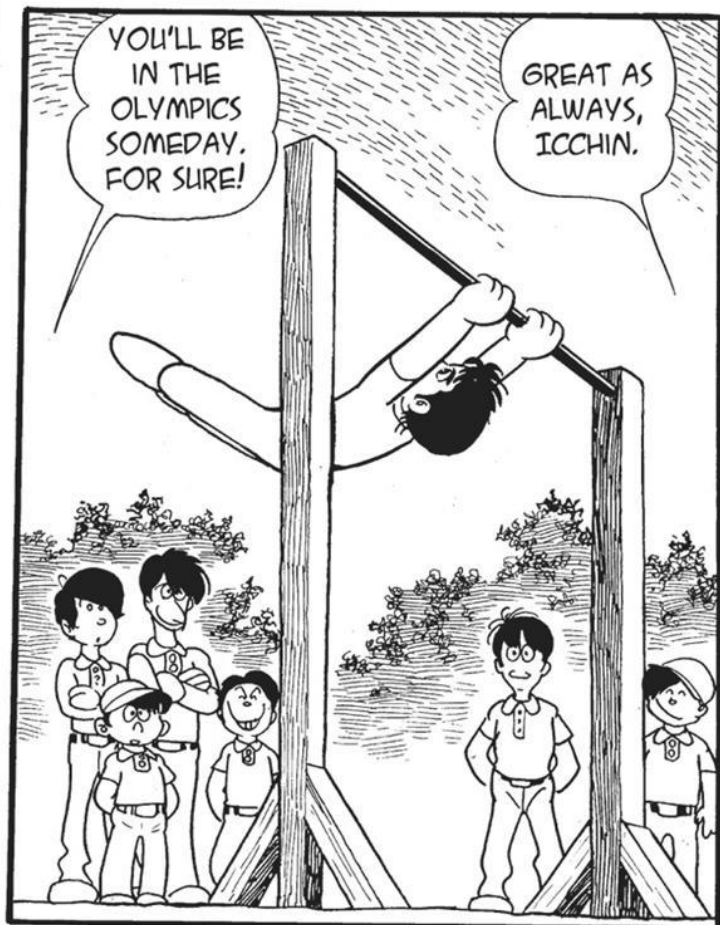
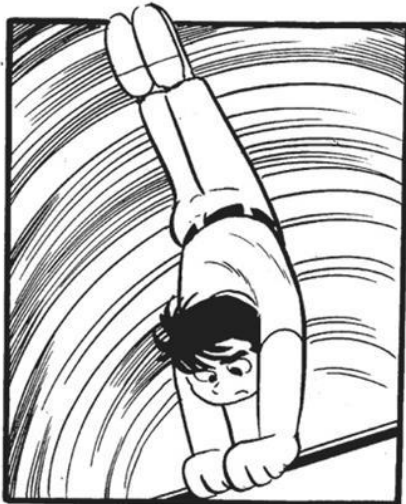
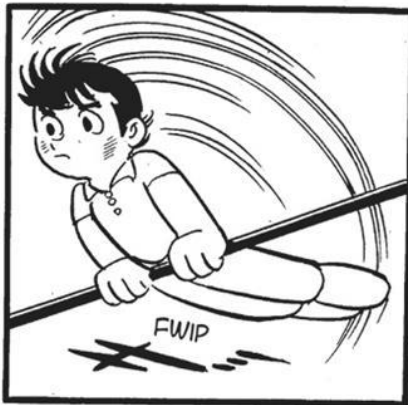


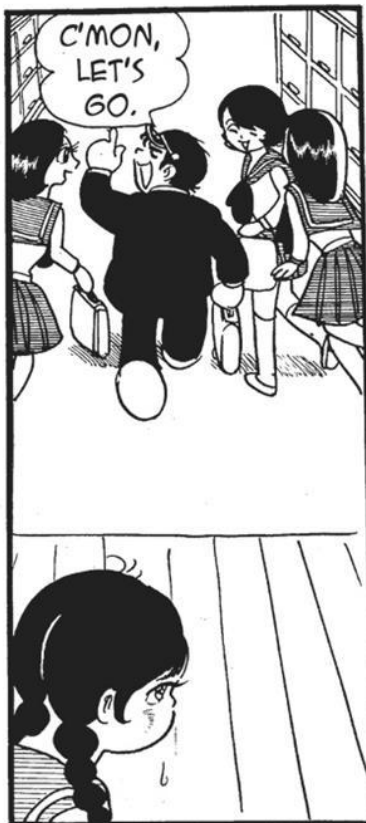
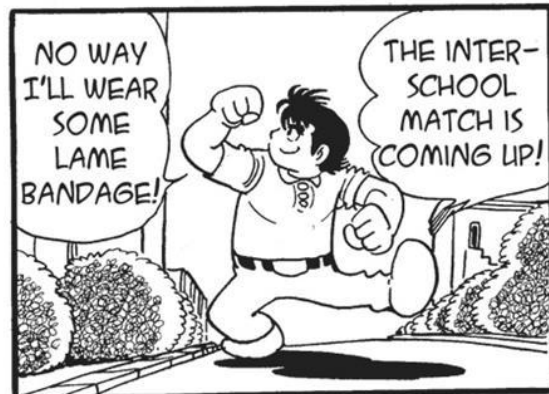
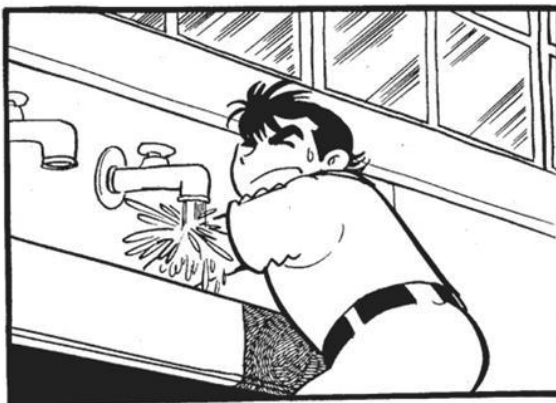


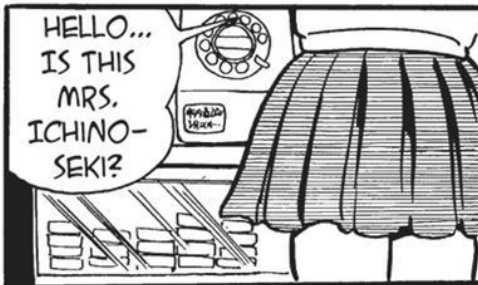




THE PIRATE'S ARM







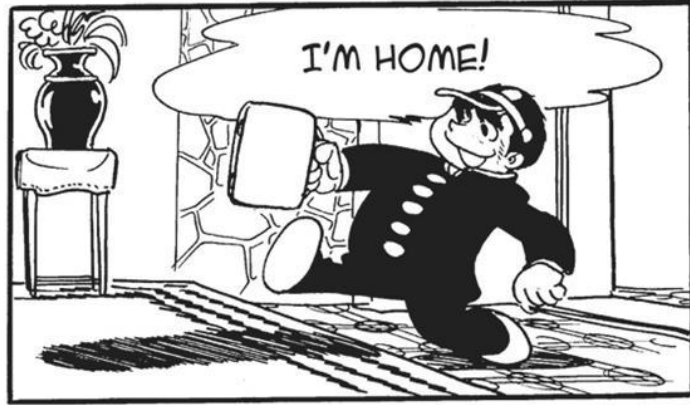
HELLO...
IS THIS
MRS.
ICHINO-
SEKI?



HO HO
HEH HEH
HEE HEE



KAZUO,
SHOW ME
YOUR
LEFT
ARM.



I'M HOME!



I WON'T!

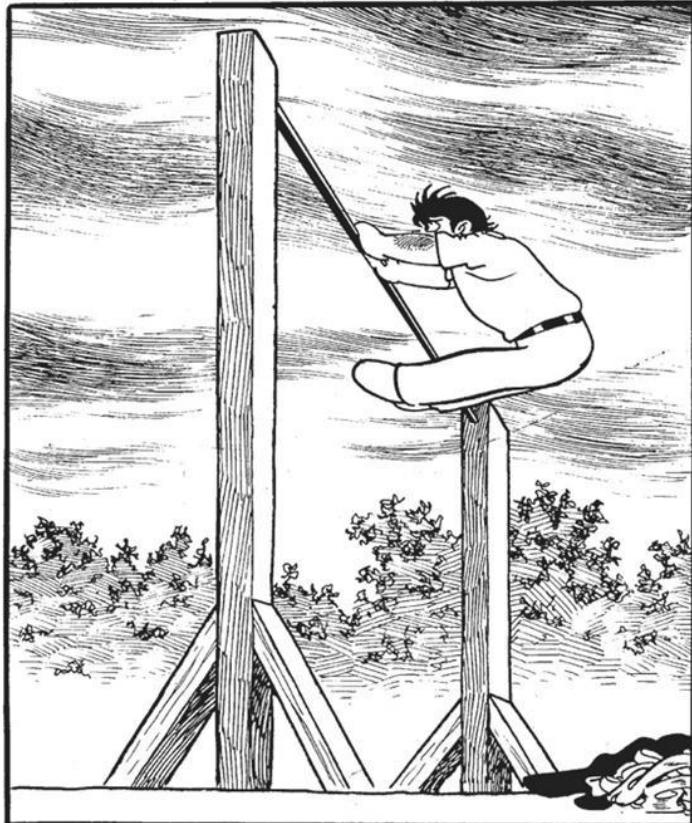
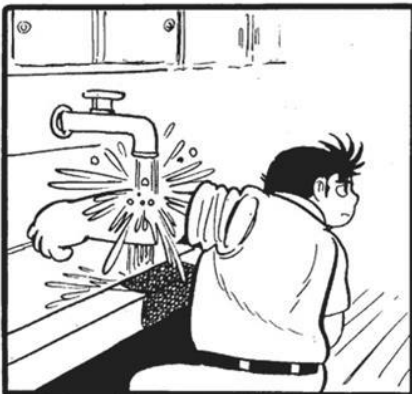
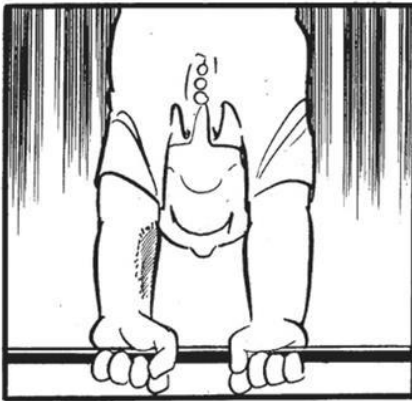


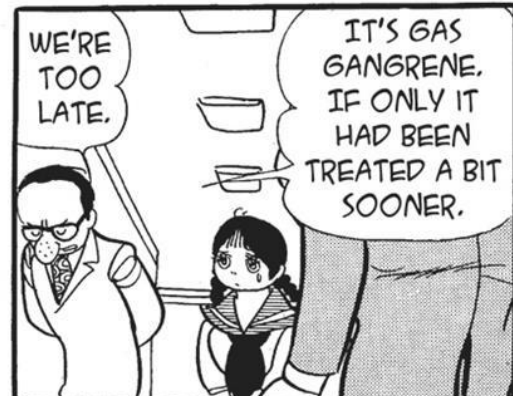
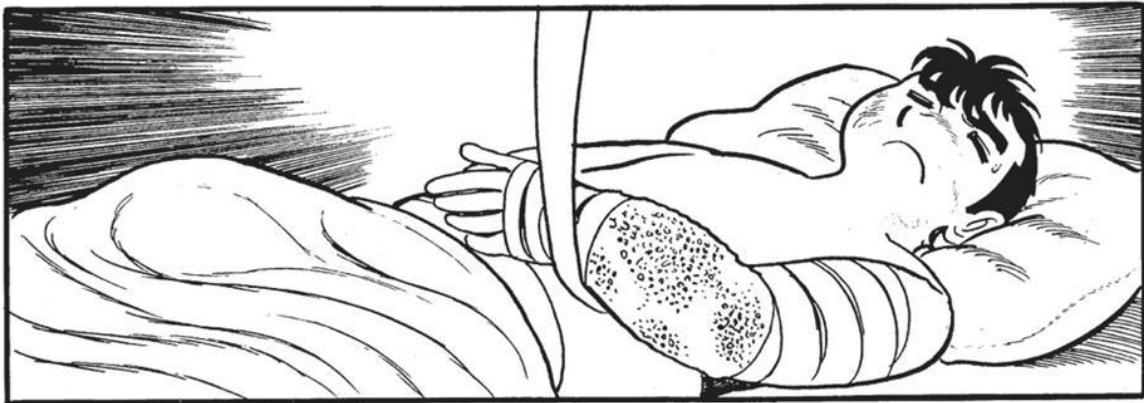
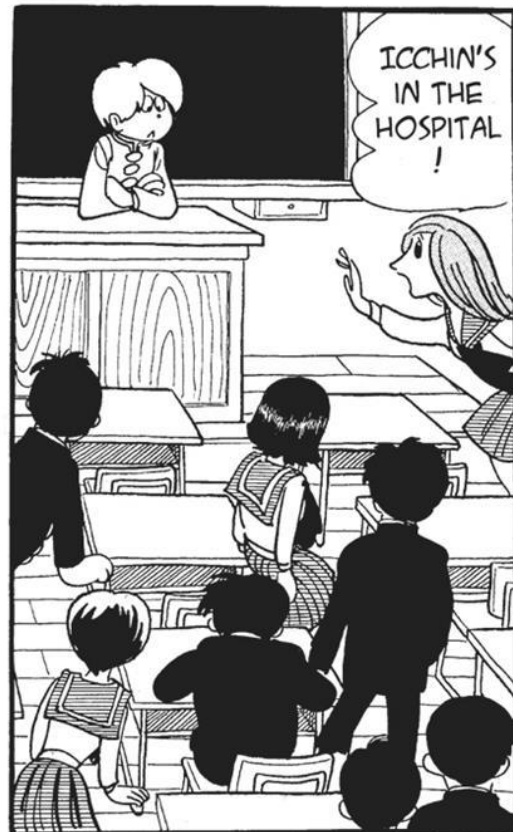
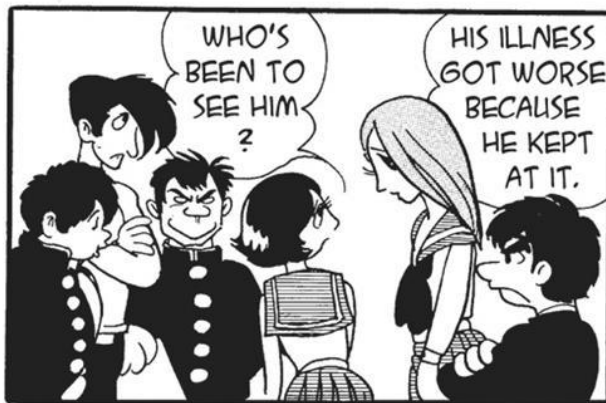
LET
ME
SEE!

IT'S
SWOLLEN,
RIGHT?
WHY
DIDN'T
YOU TELL
ME?

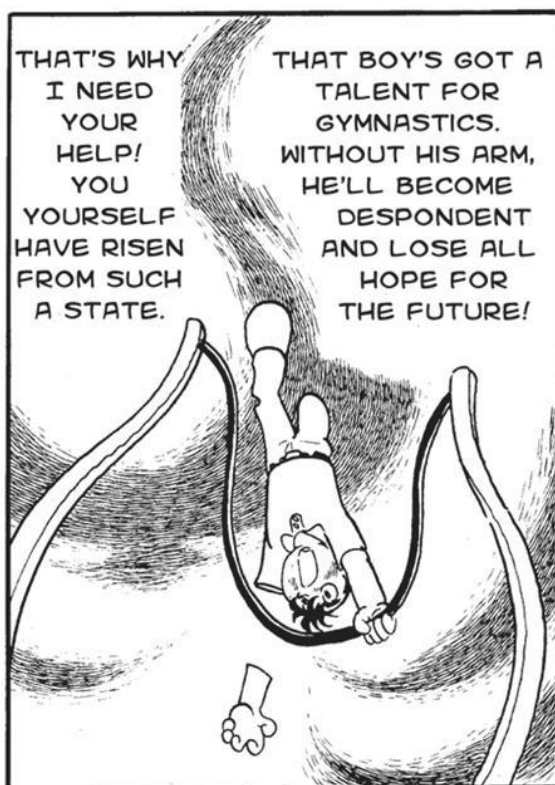
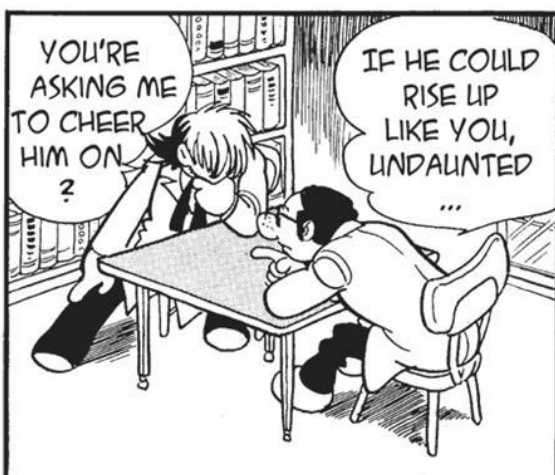


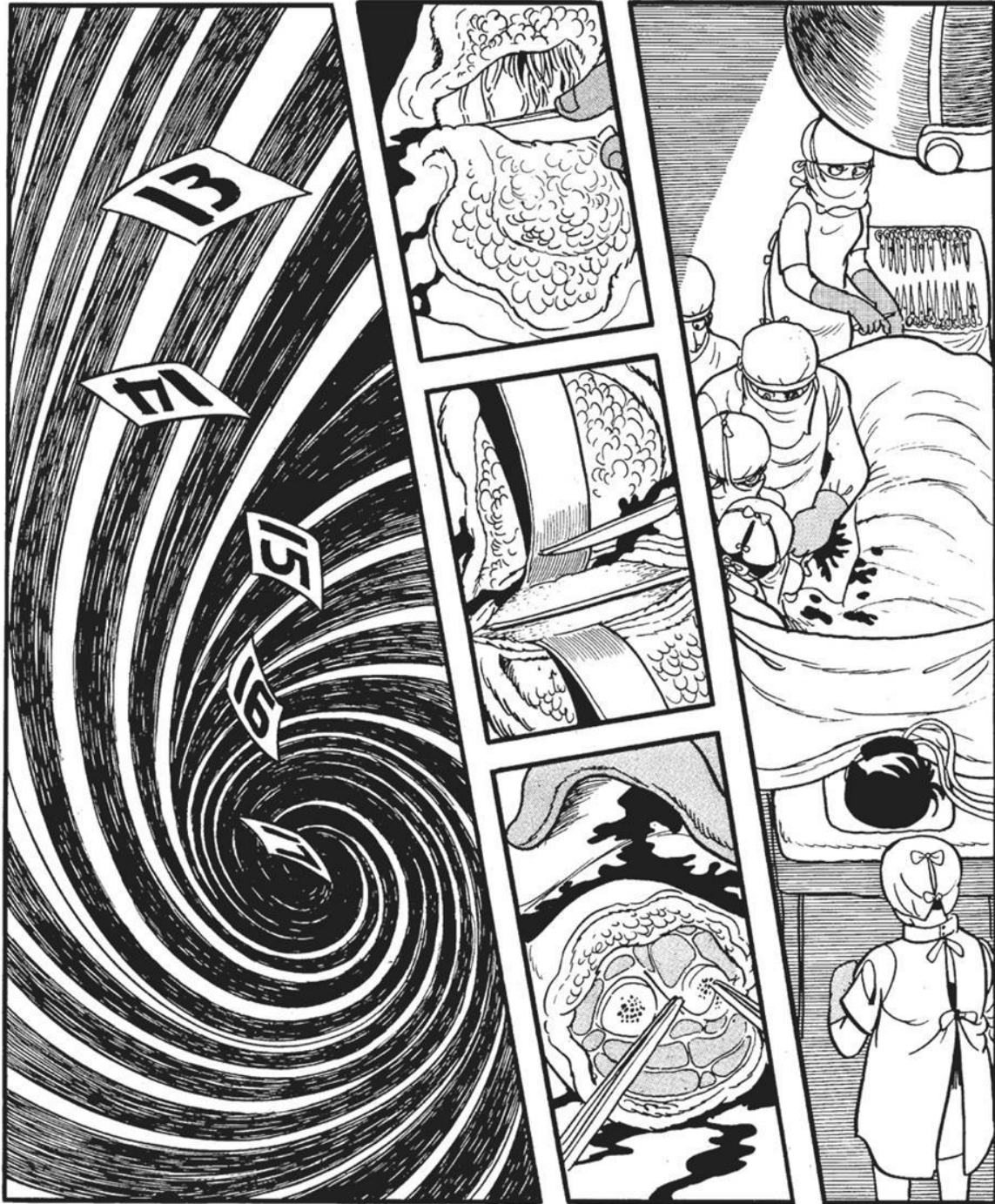




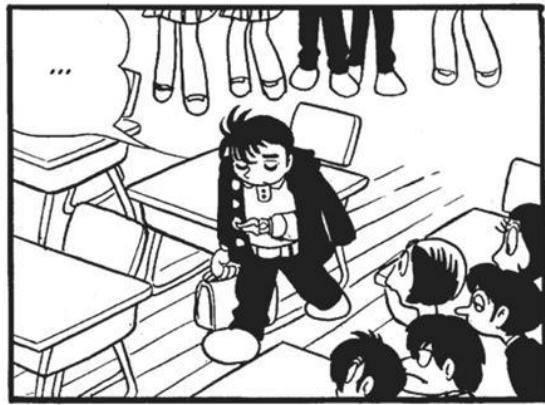
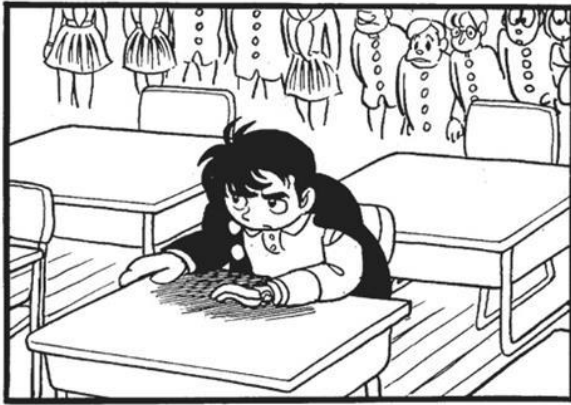




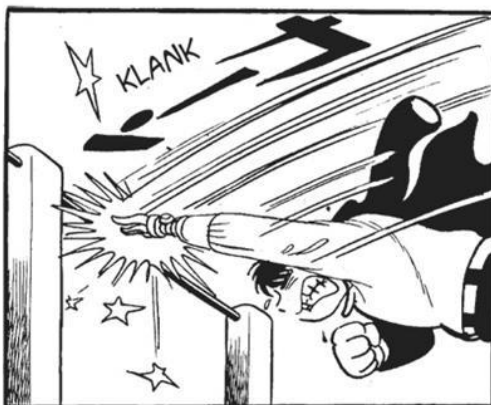




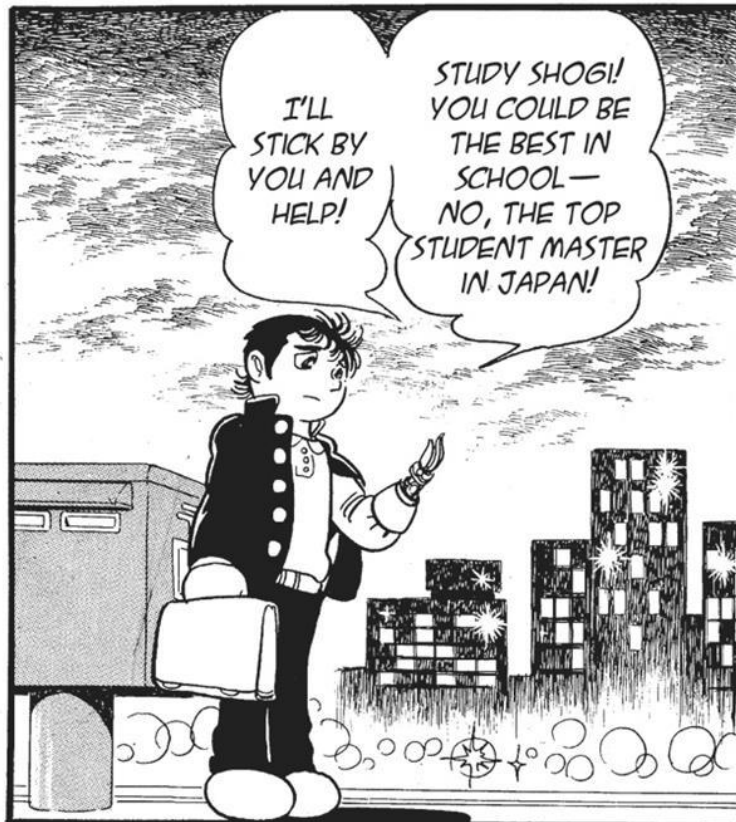


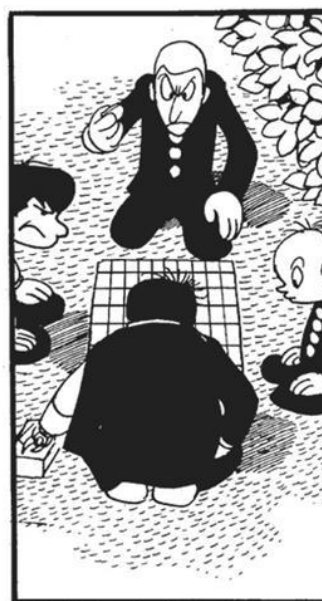
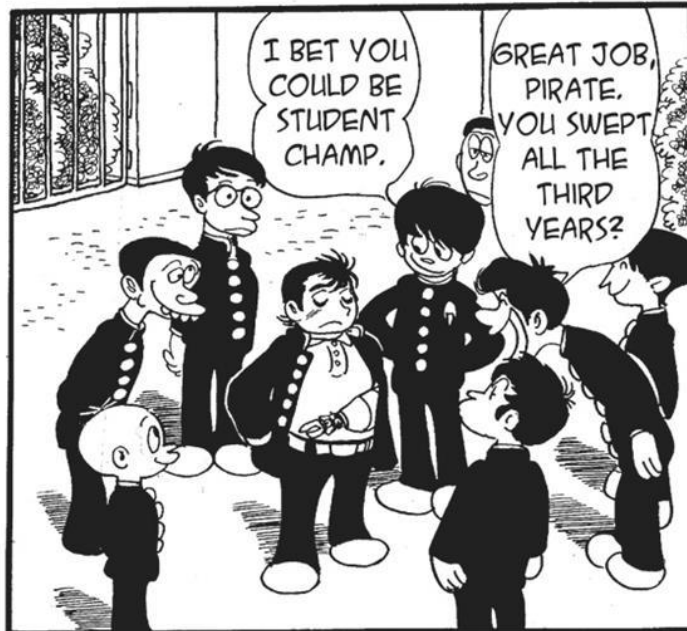
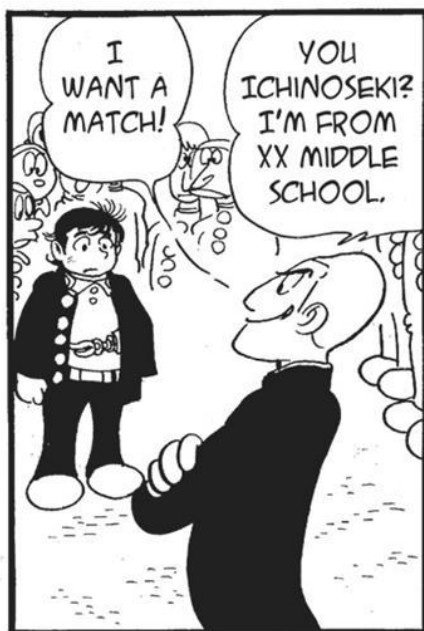
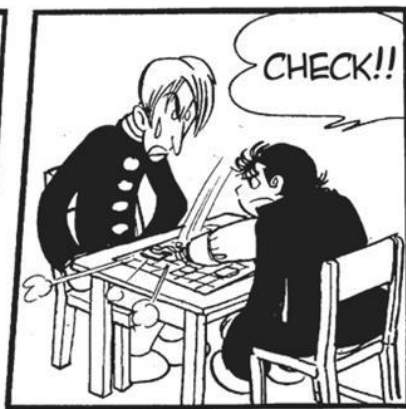


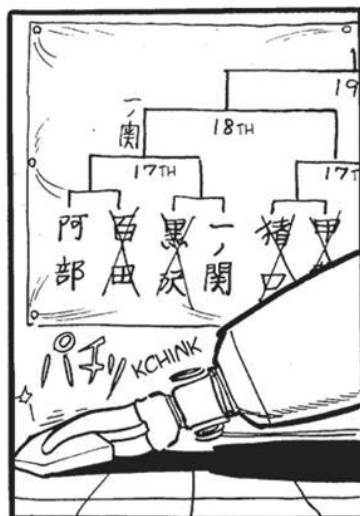


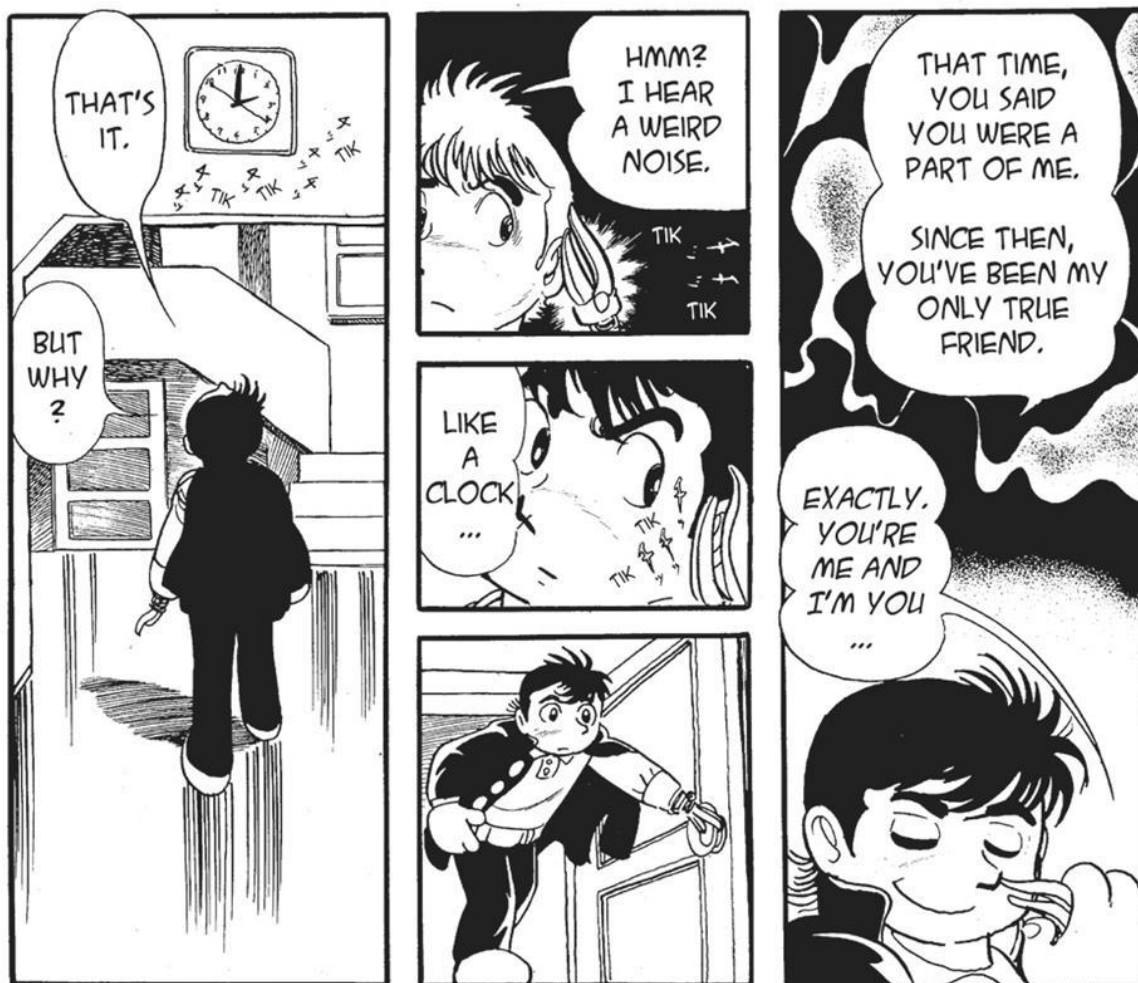




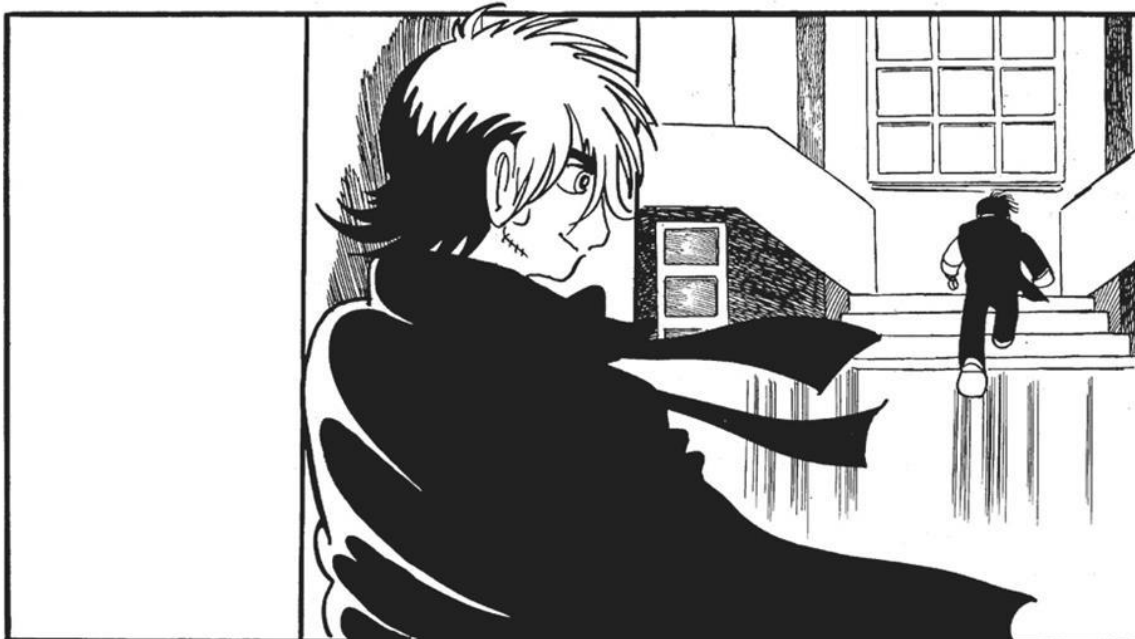
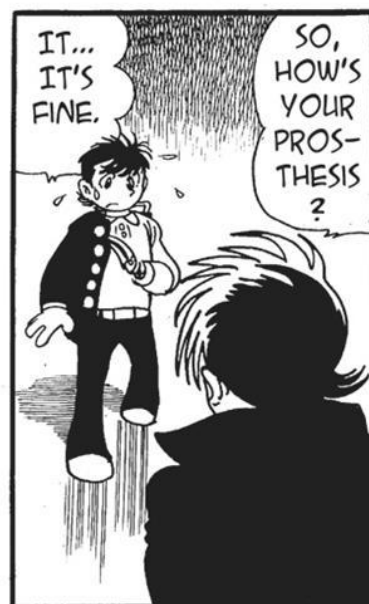
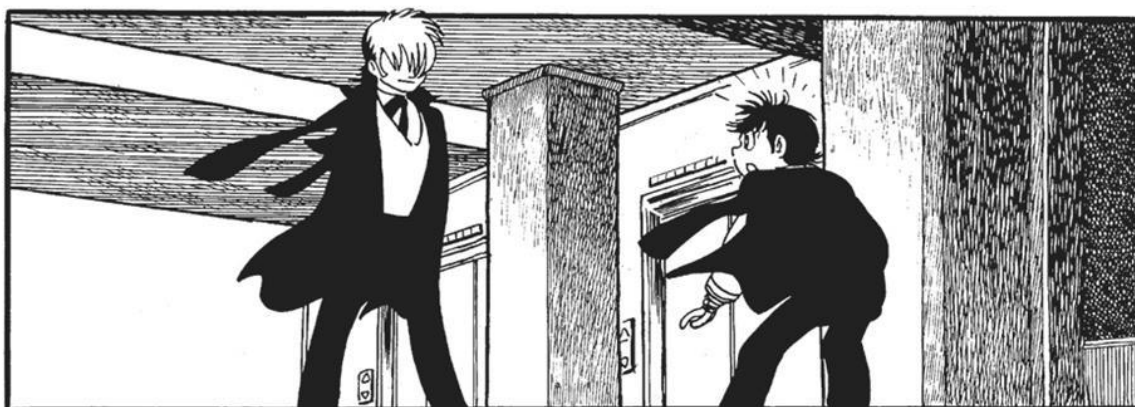




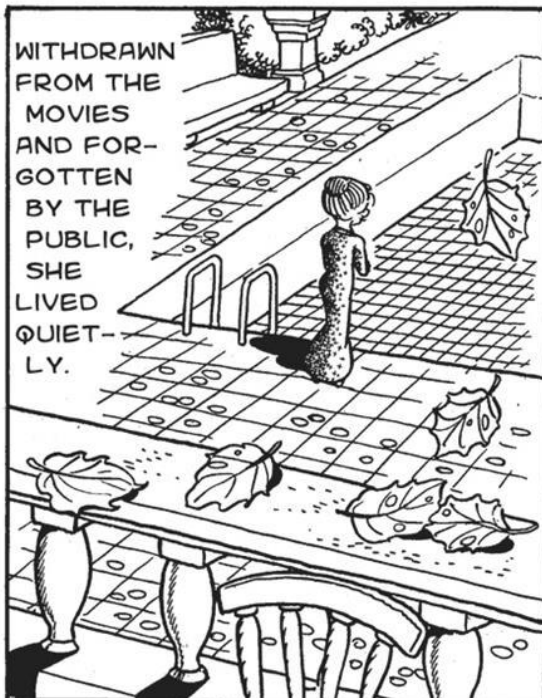
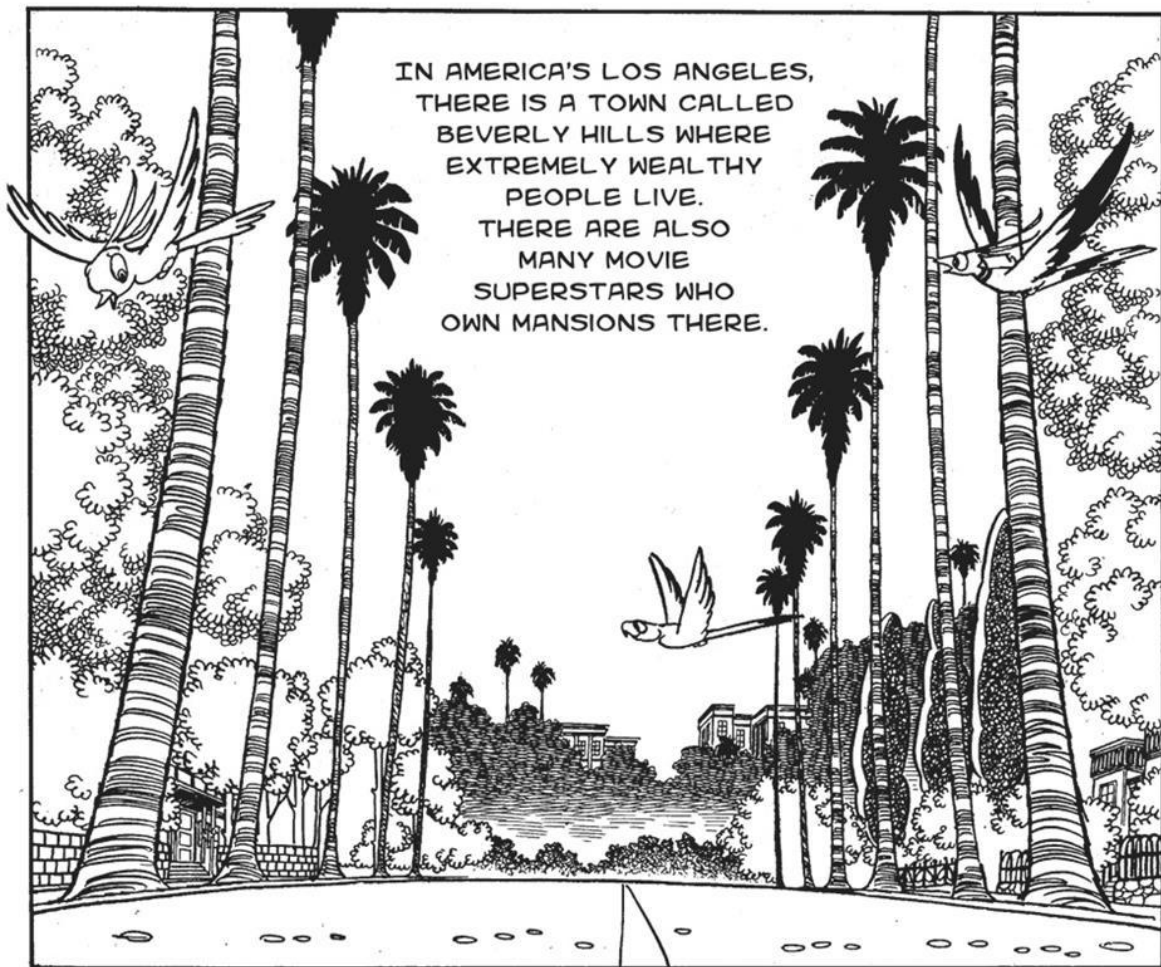


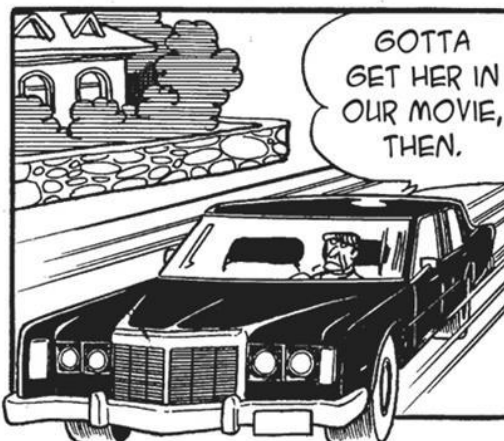
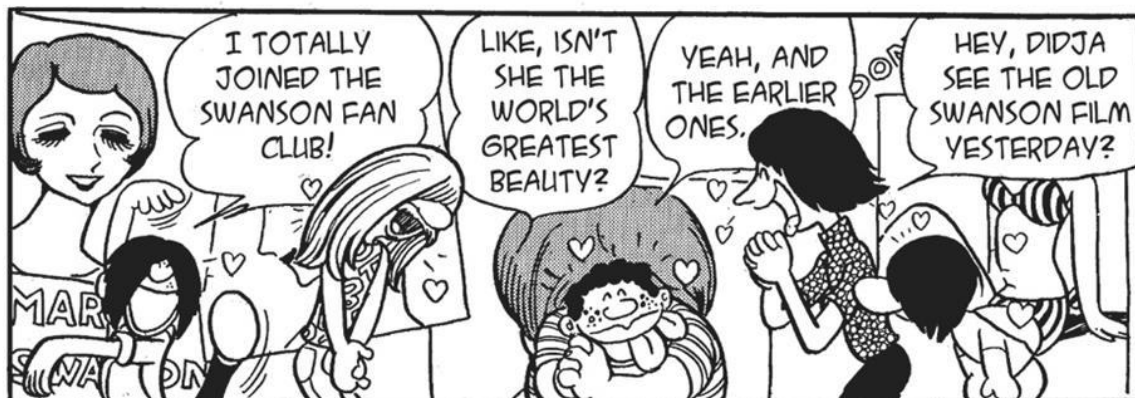




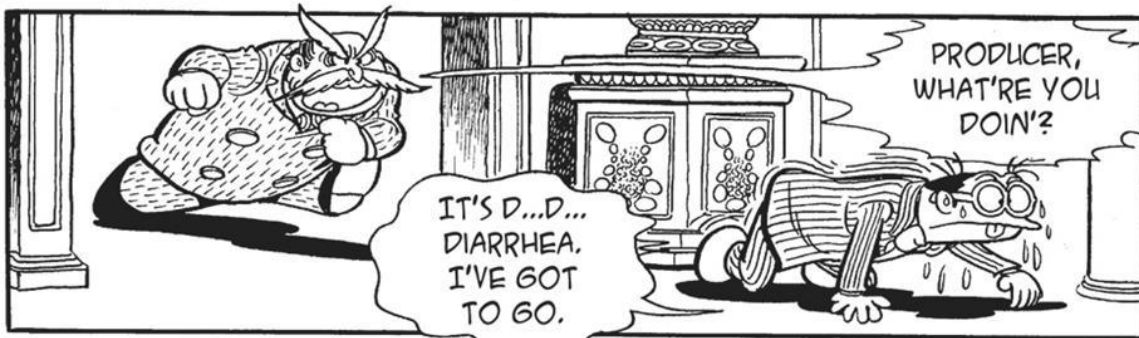
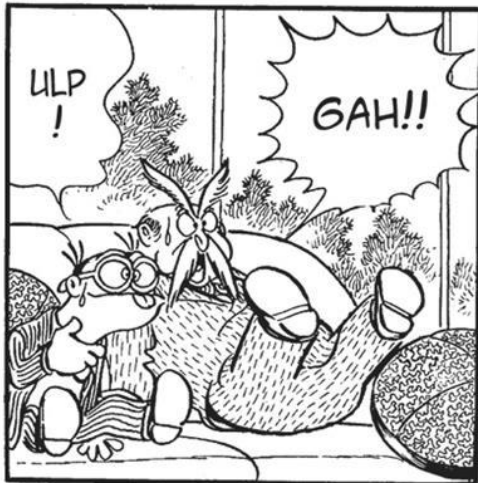


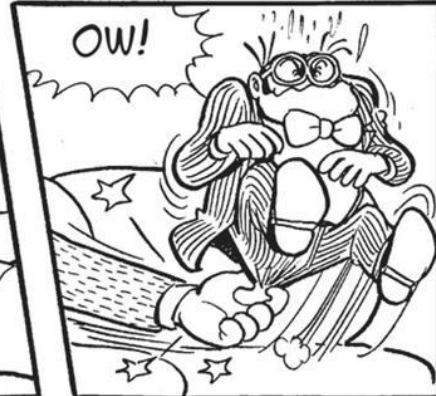
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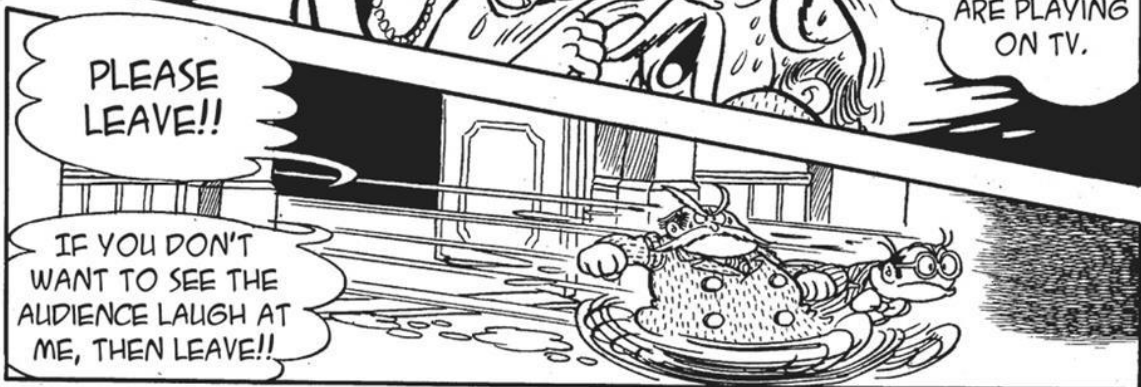




NOTE: "MARILYN SWANSON" COMBINES MARILYN MONROE AND GLORIA SWANSON; THE LATTER PLAYED A FORMER MOVIE STAR IN *SUNSET BOULEVARD* (1950). MEANWHILE, MONROE HAD DIED AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 36 BEFORE THIS STORY WAS WRITTEN.

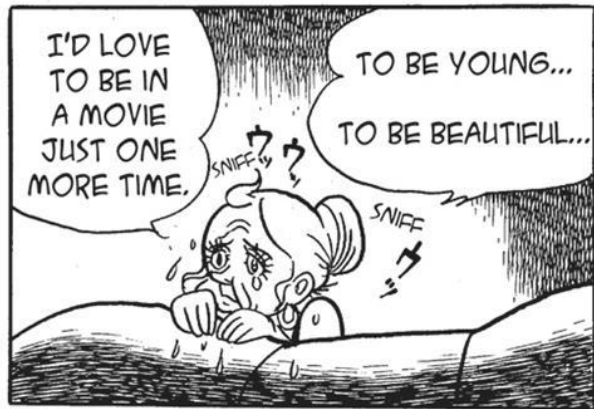








I AM A
MOVIE STAR!!
I'M THE
SUPERSTAR,
MARILYN
SWANSON!!



I'D LOVE
TO BE IN
A MOVIE
JUST ONE
MORE TIME.

TO BE YOUNG...
TO BE BEAUTIFUL...



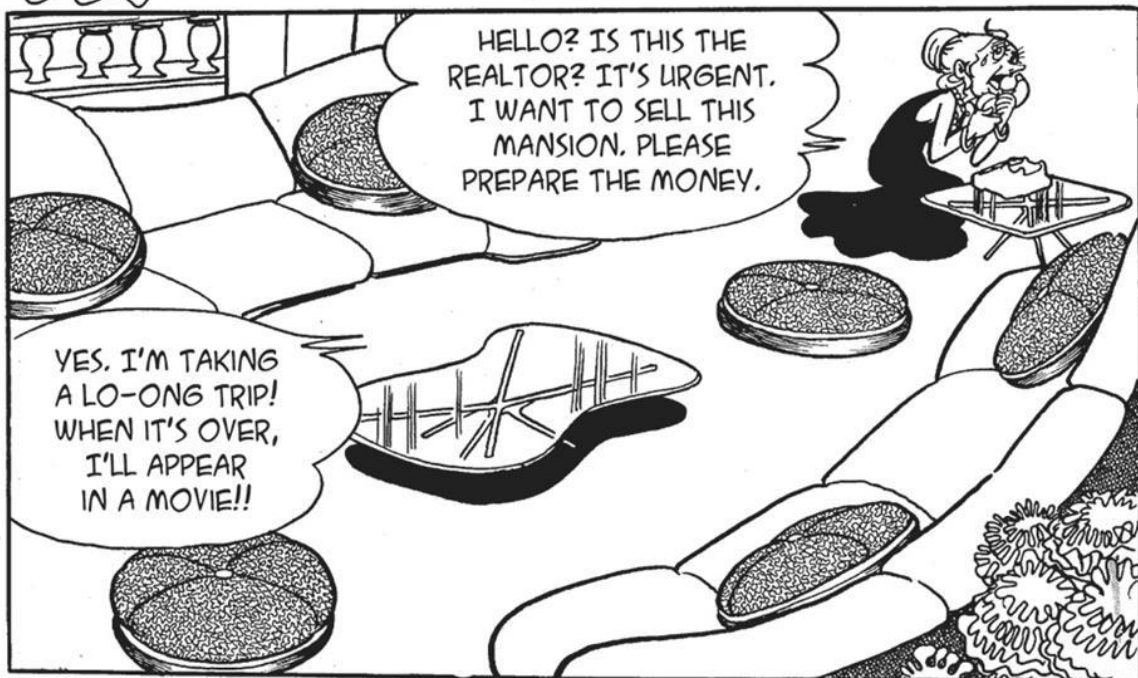
TO MAKE
THE
AUDI-
ENCE
SIGH!

TO FILL
THAT
SCREEN
JUST
ONCE
MORE,



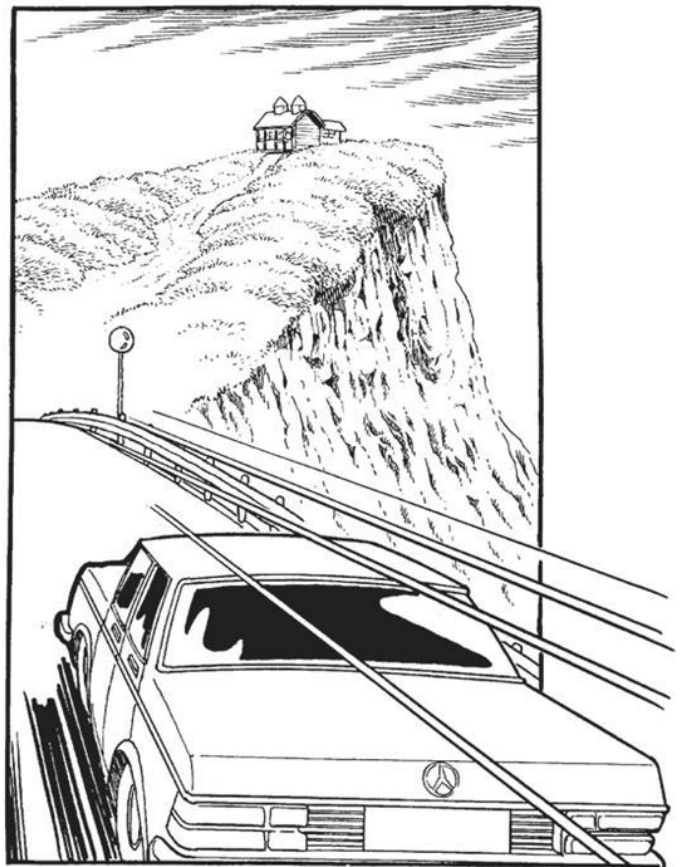
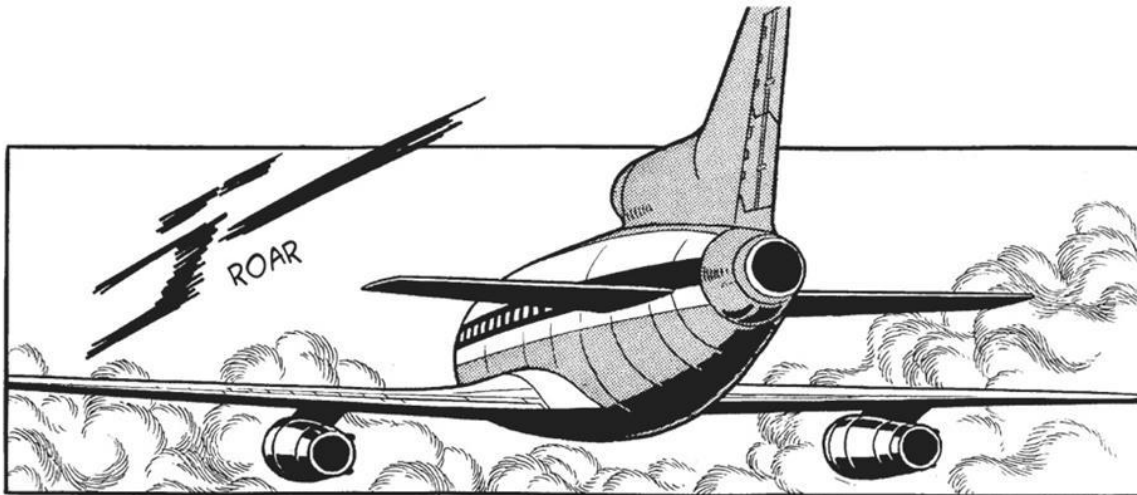
LET THEM
TALK ABOUT
MARILYN
SWANSON,
THE GREAT
ACTRESS!!

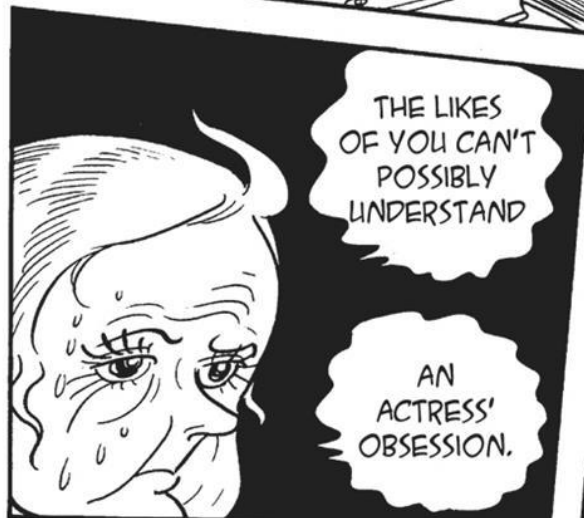
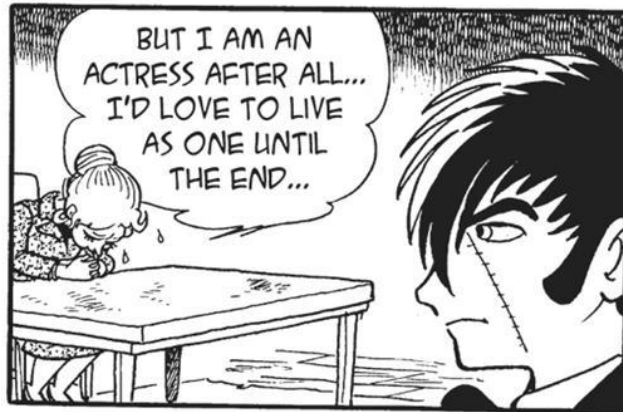
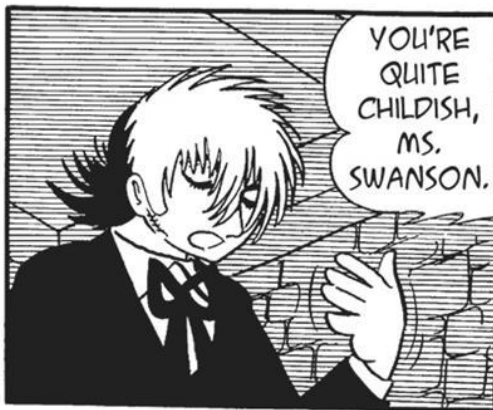
YES,
BEFORE
I DIE,

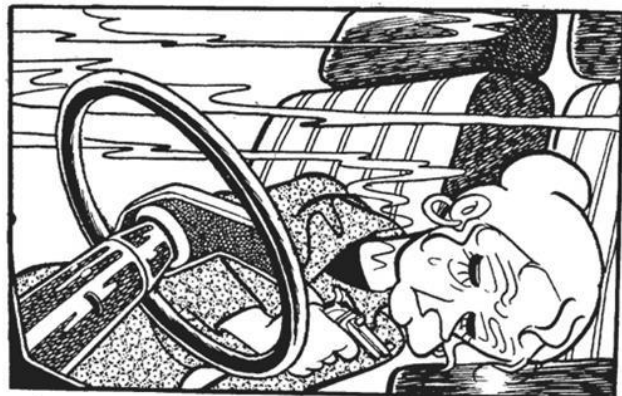
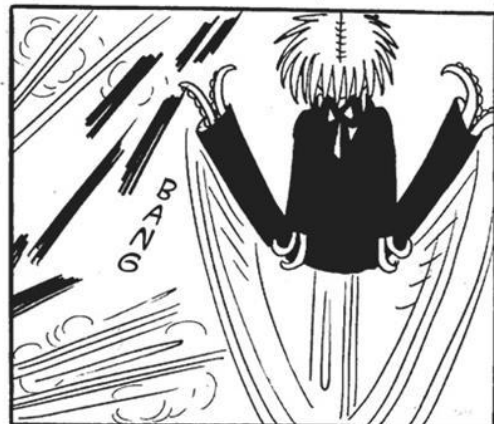
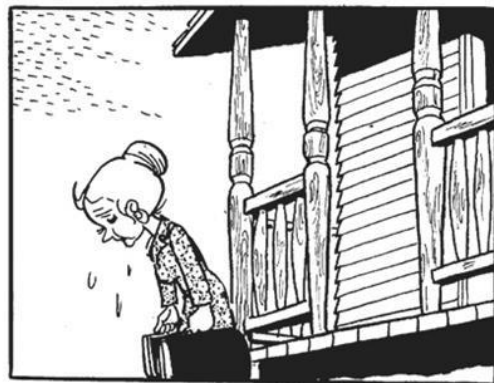
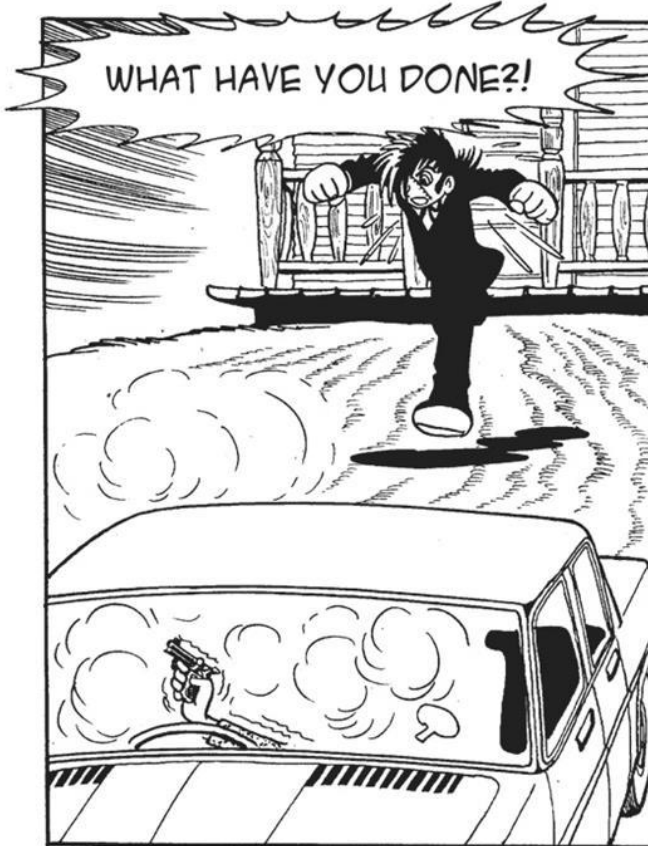


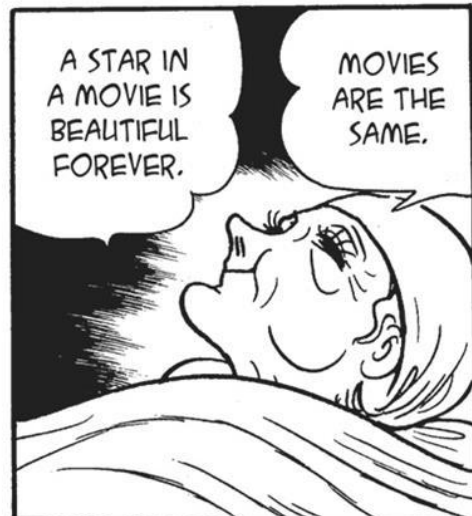
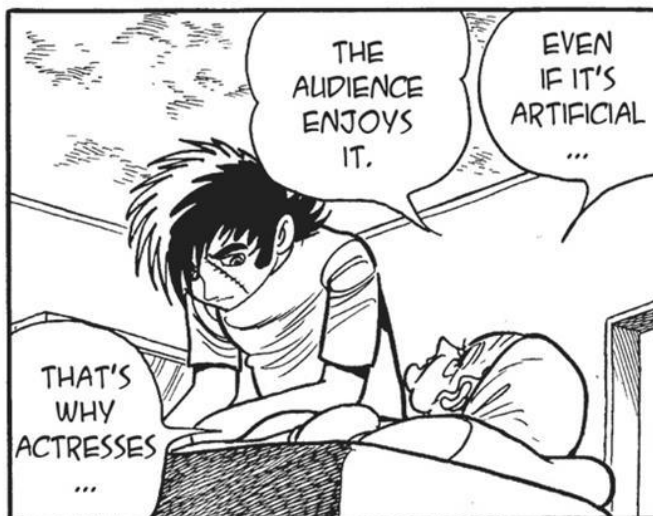
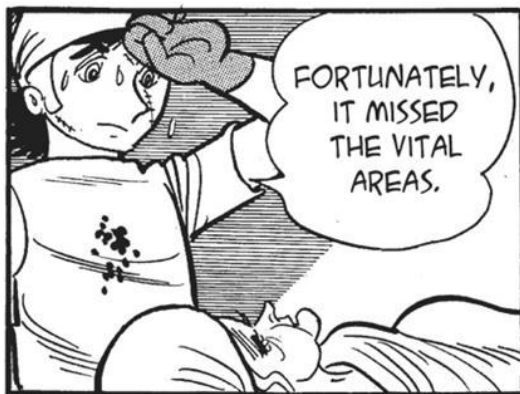
HELLO? IS THIS THE
REALTOR? IT'S URGENT.
I WANT TO SELL THIS
MANSION. PLEASE
PREPARE THE MONEY.

YES. I'M TAKING
A LO-ONG TRIP!
WHEN IT'S OVER,
I'LL APPEAR
IN A MOVIE!!



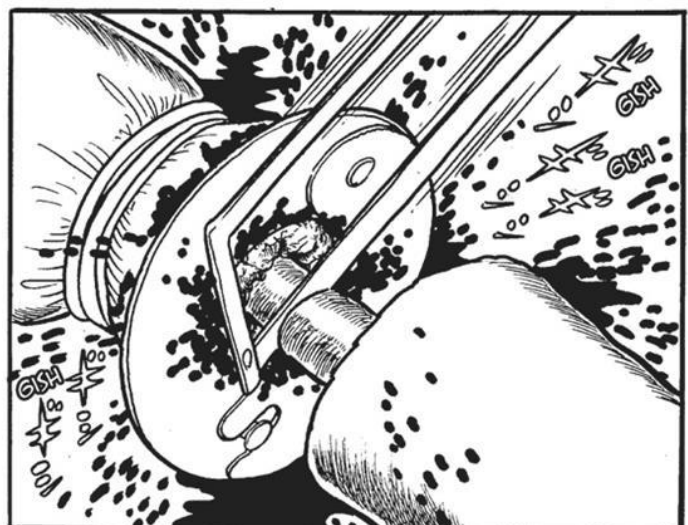
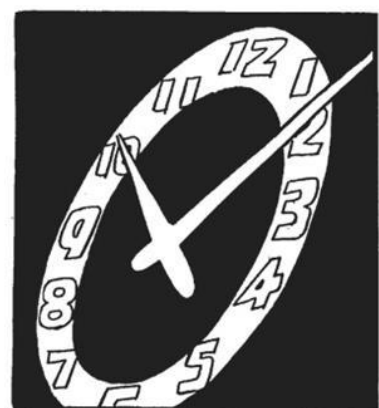
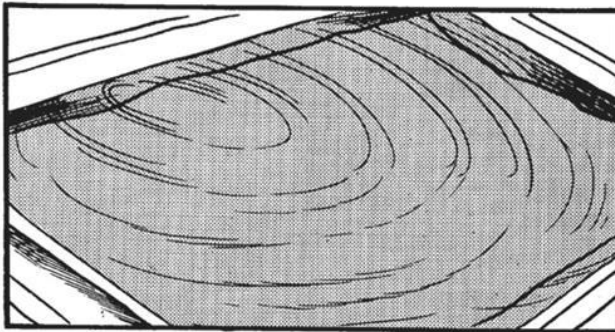
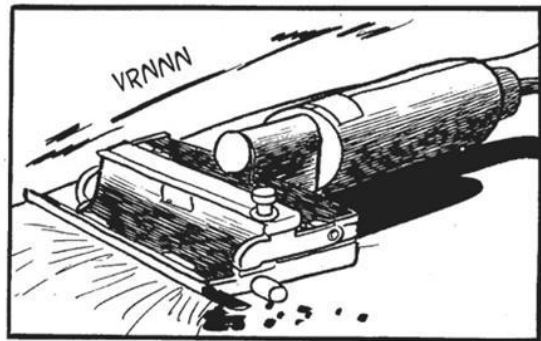


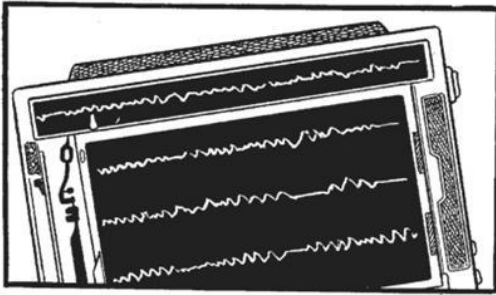


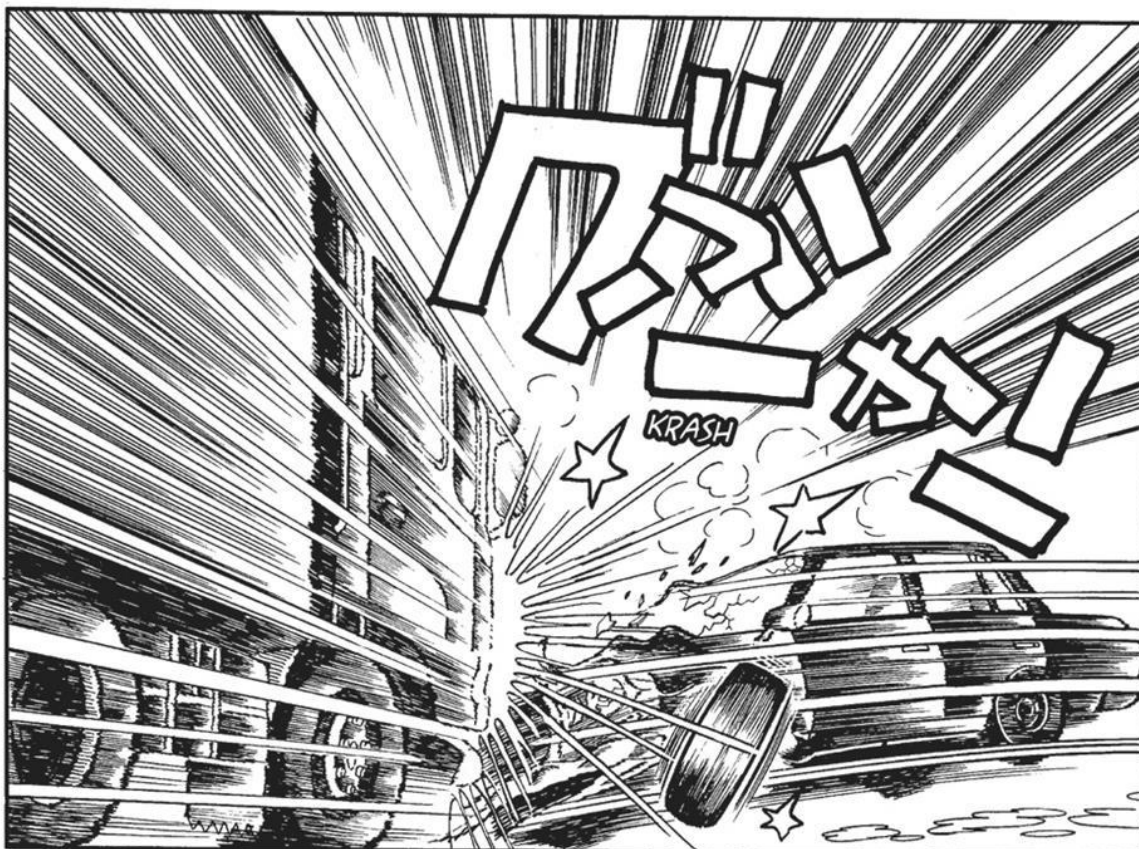


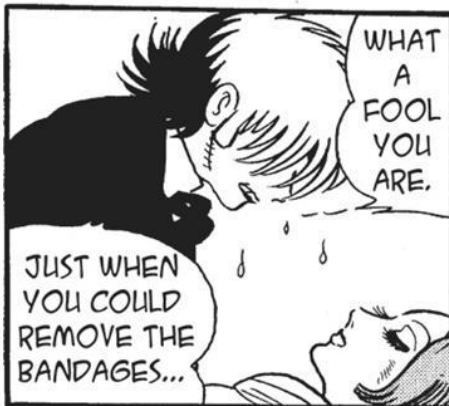
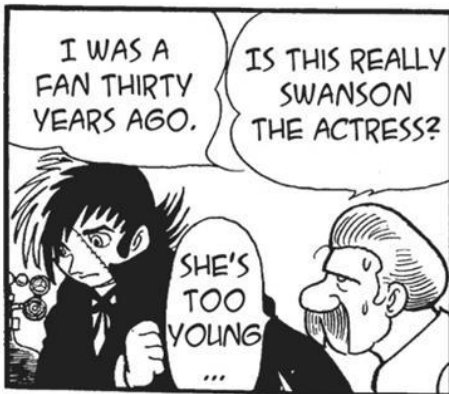


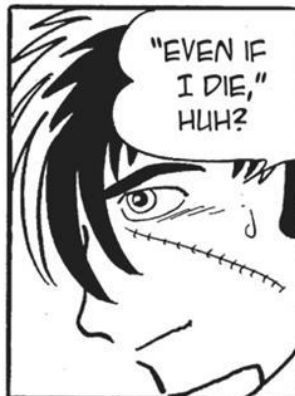
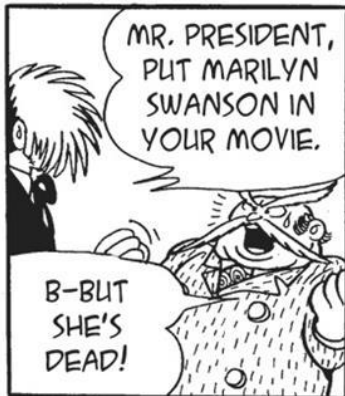


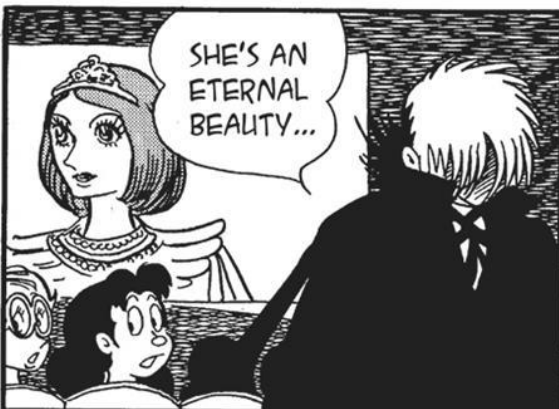






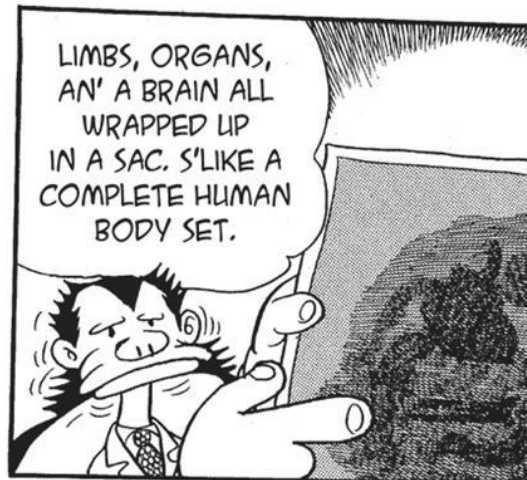
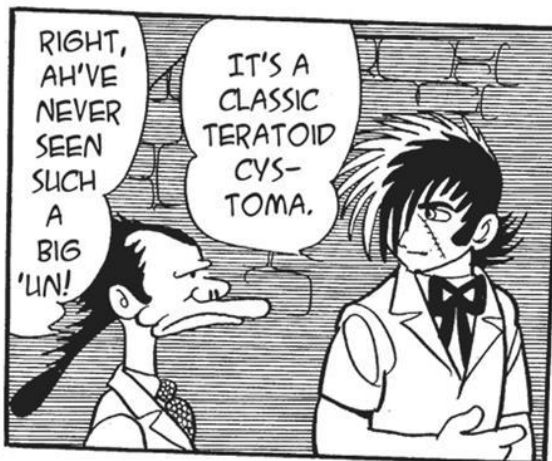
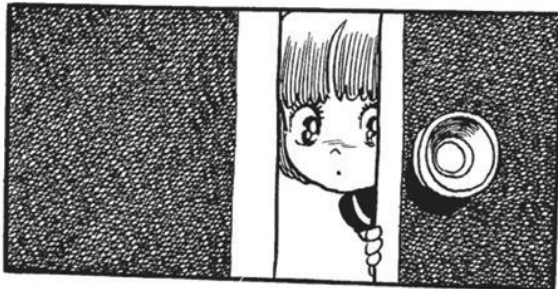


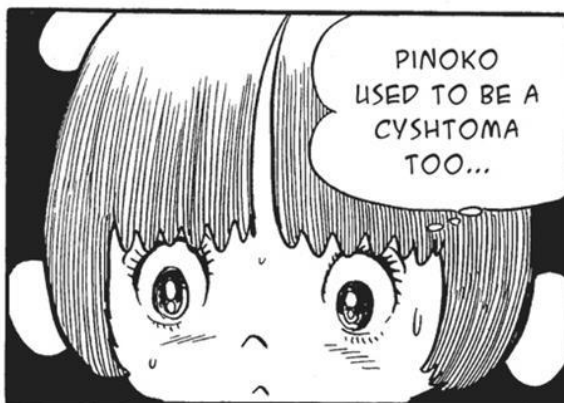
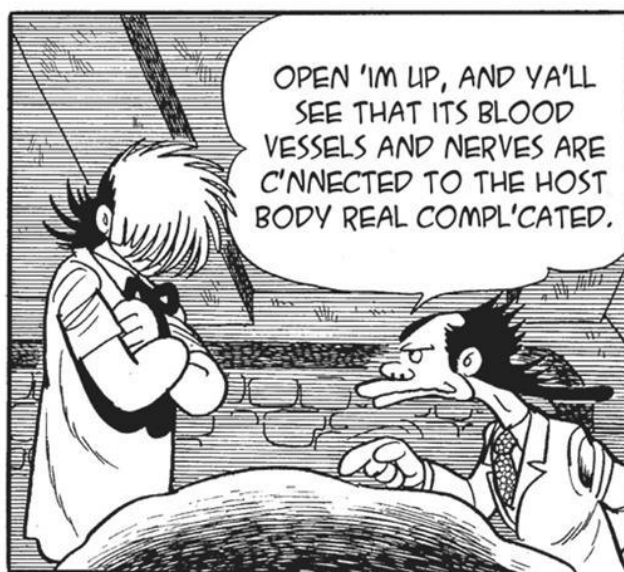
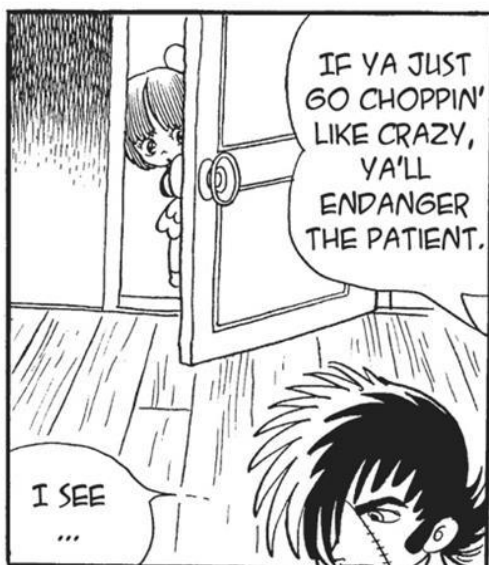


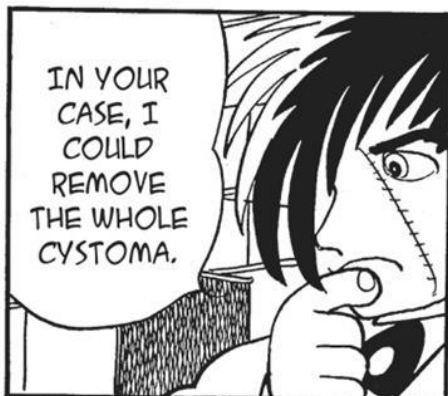
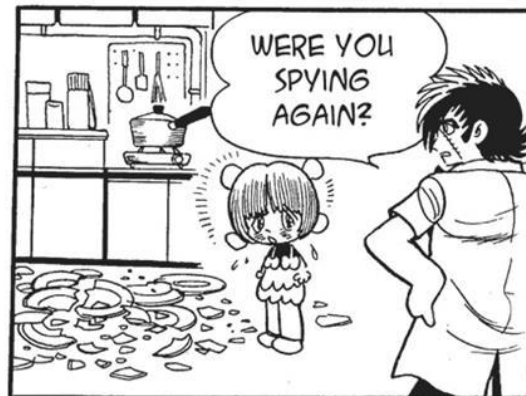
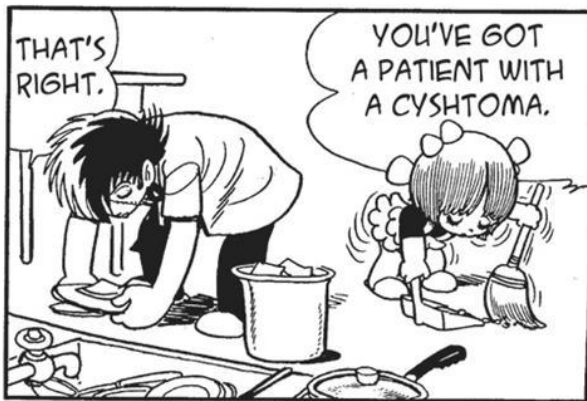
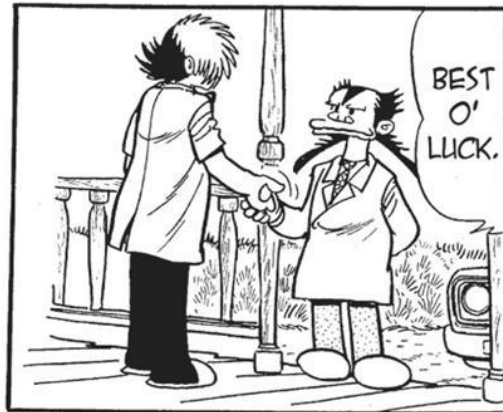


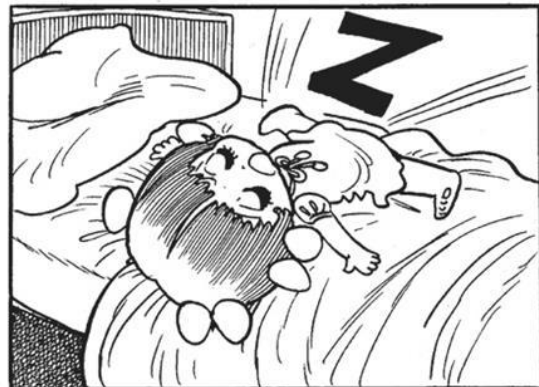
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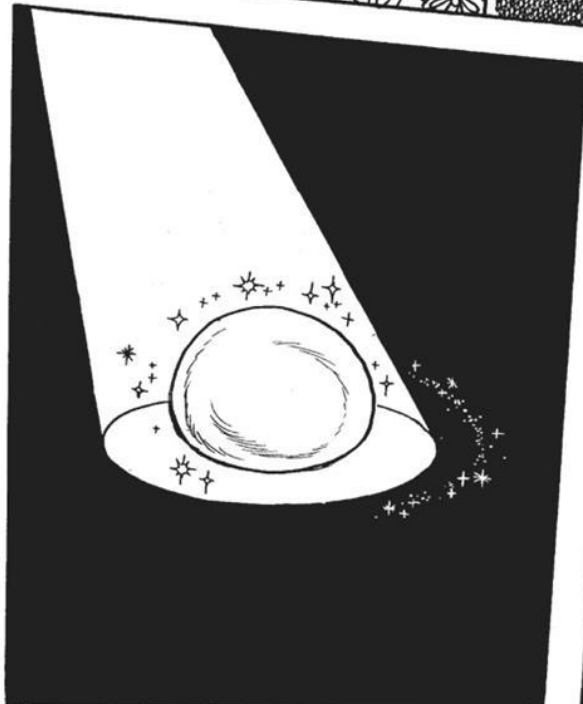
TERATOID CYSTOMA, PART 2





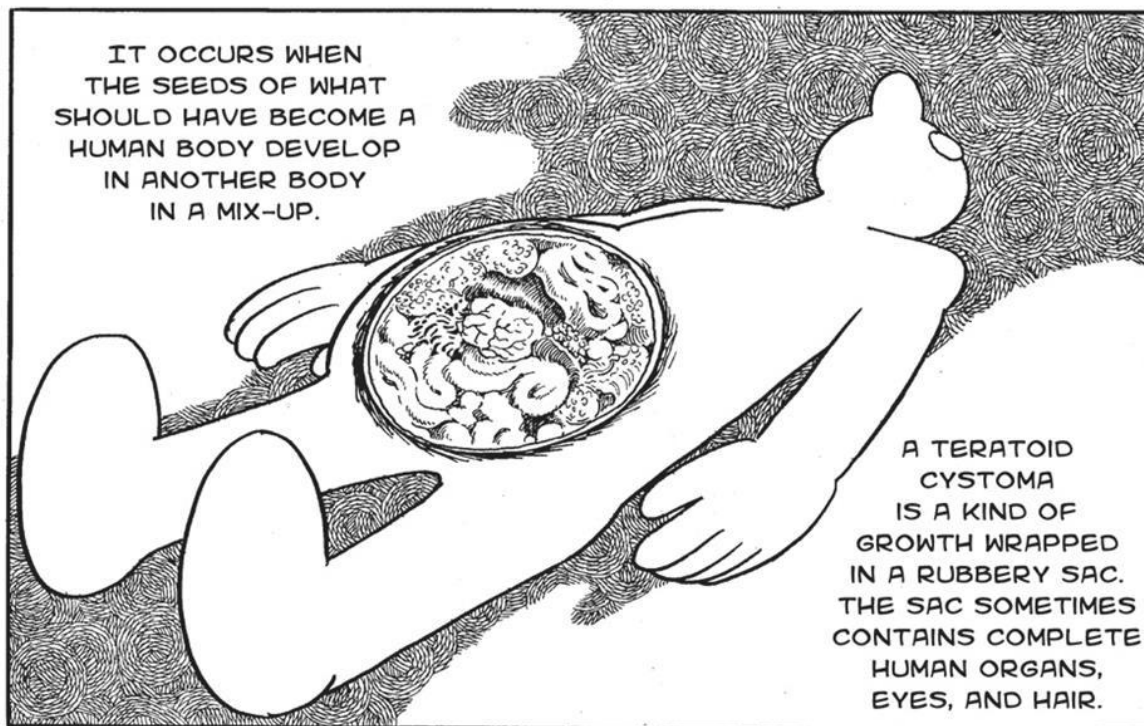
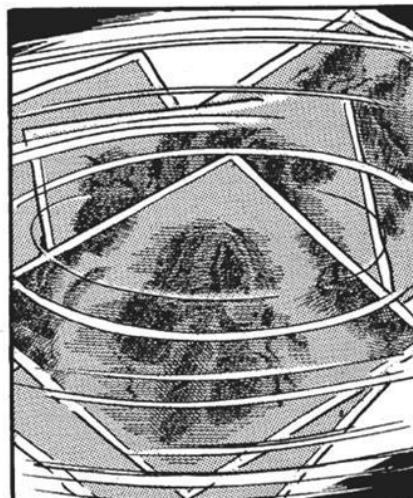
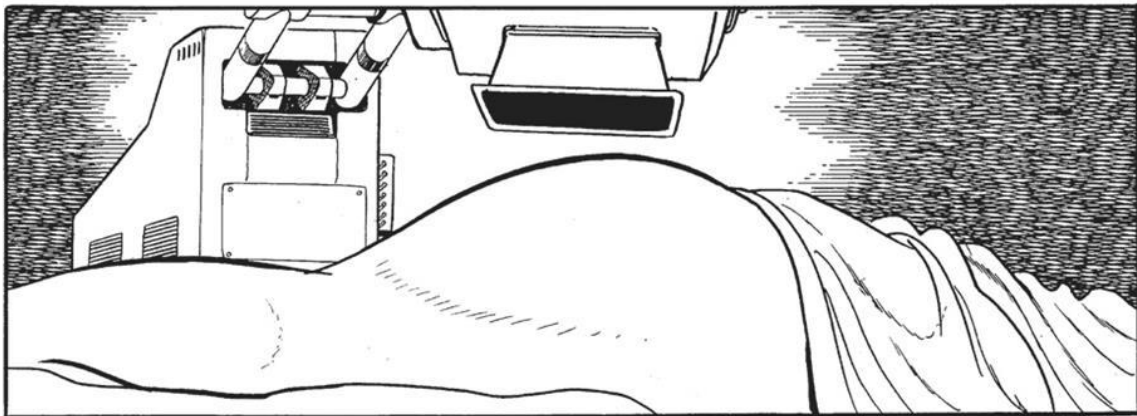








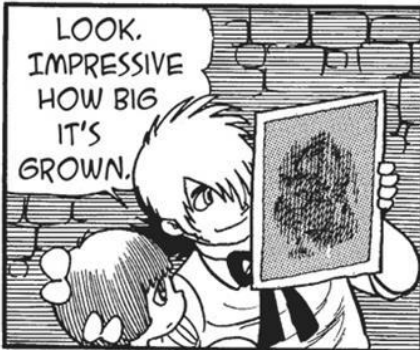




IT'S NOT MALIGNANT
LIKE CANCER, BUT
IT KEEPS ON
GROWING, SO IT HAS
TO BE REMOVED
EVENTUALLY.
YOU COULD SAY
IT'S A TWIN THAT
WENT WRONG
AND GREW WITHIN
THE OTHER
TWIN'S BODY.



LOOK,
IMPRESSIVE
HOW BIG
IT'S
GROWN.



WHO?
THE
PATIENT?



YOU
WON'T
SHAVE
HIM?

TOMORROW
NIGHT. YOU
DON'T NEED
TO HELP.
IT'LL BE
UNPLEASANT.

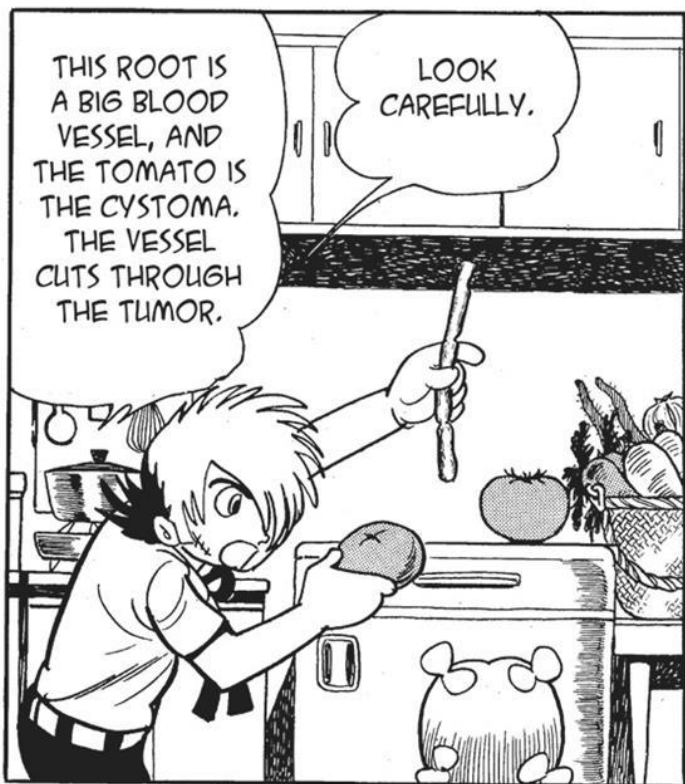
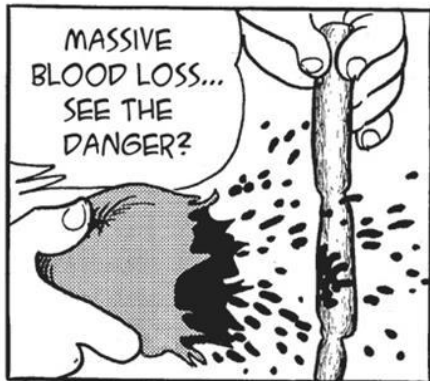
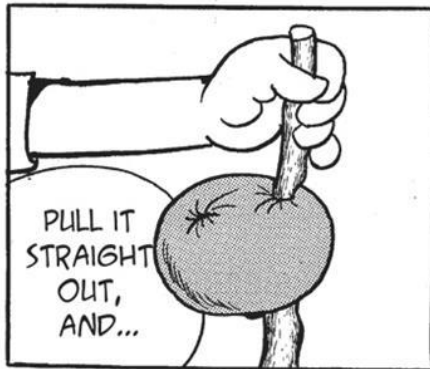
WHEN'LL
YOU
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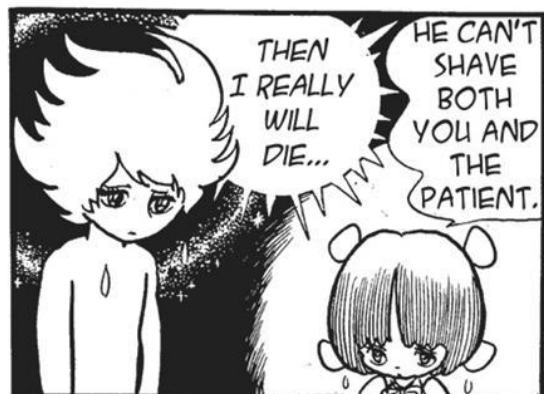


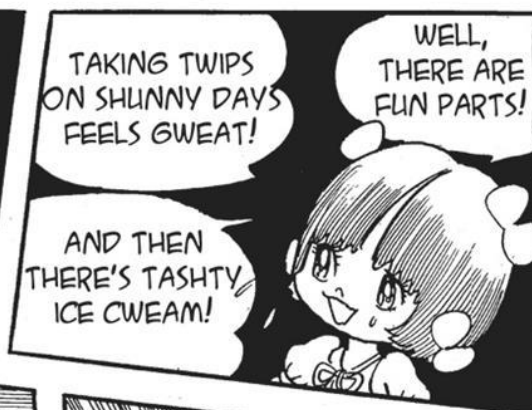
DON'T
BE SILLY!
IT WOULD
RISK THE
PATIENT'S
LIFE.

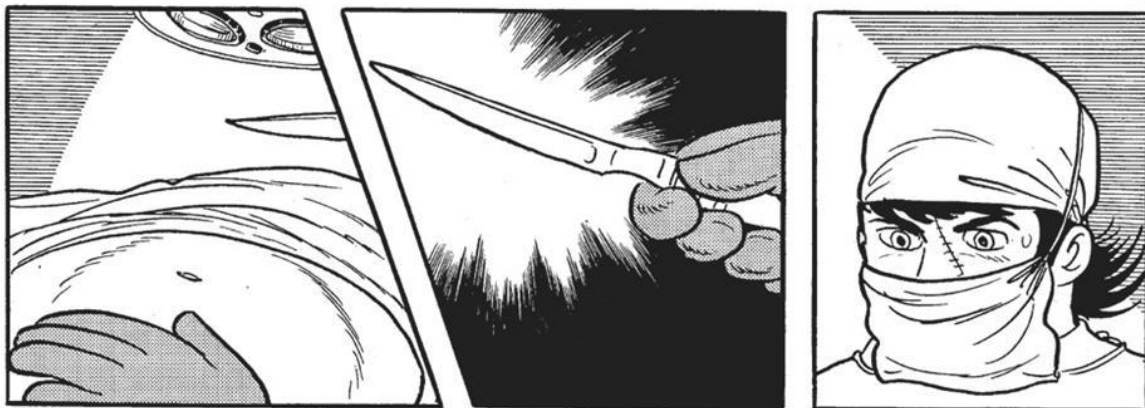


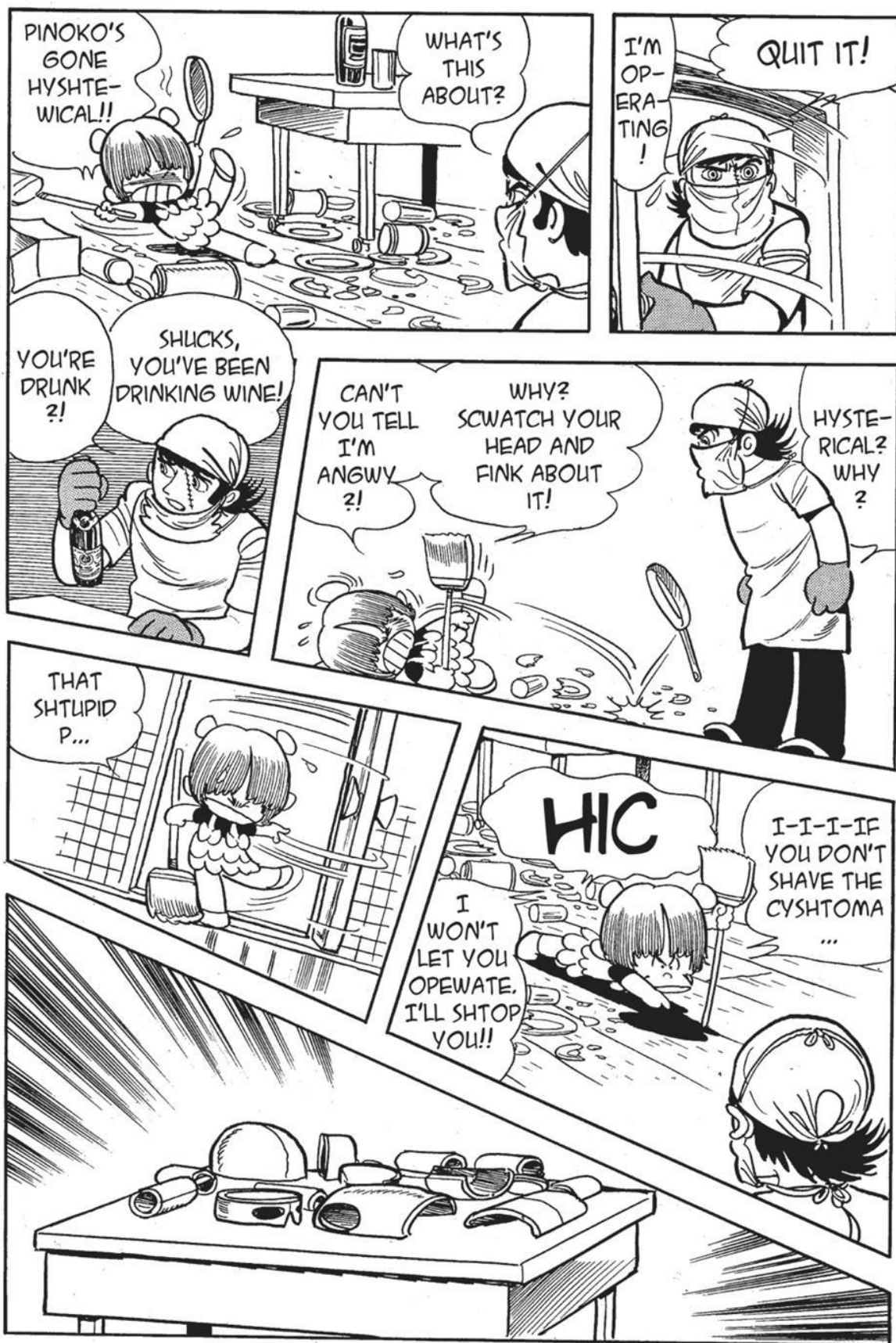
NO,
I MEAN
THE
CYSH-
TOMA!

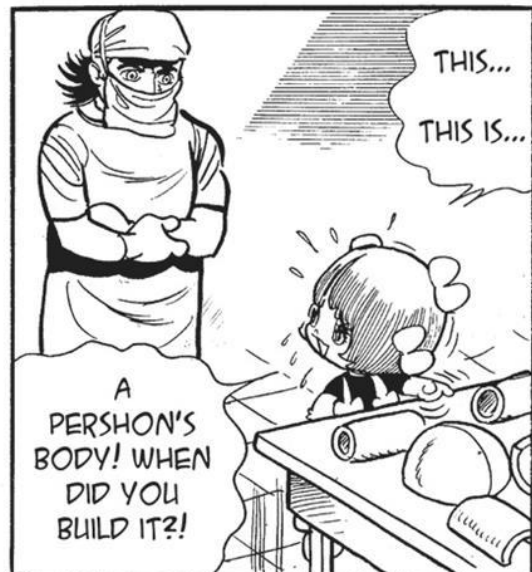
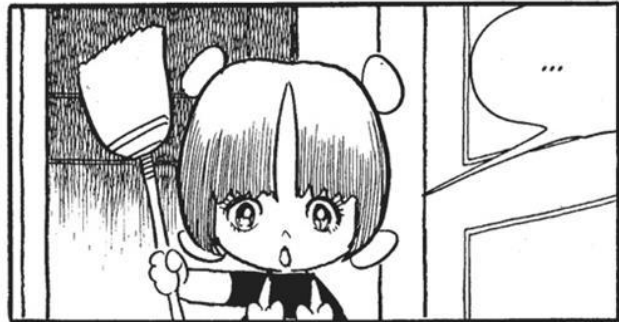
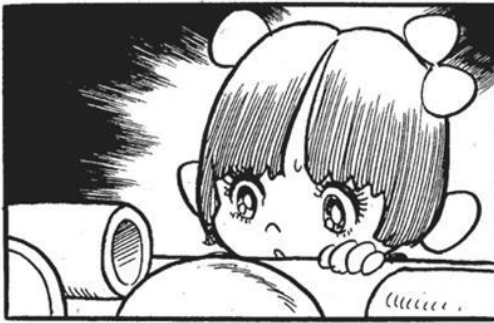




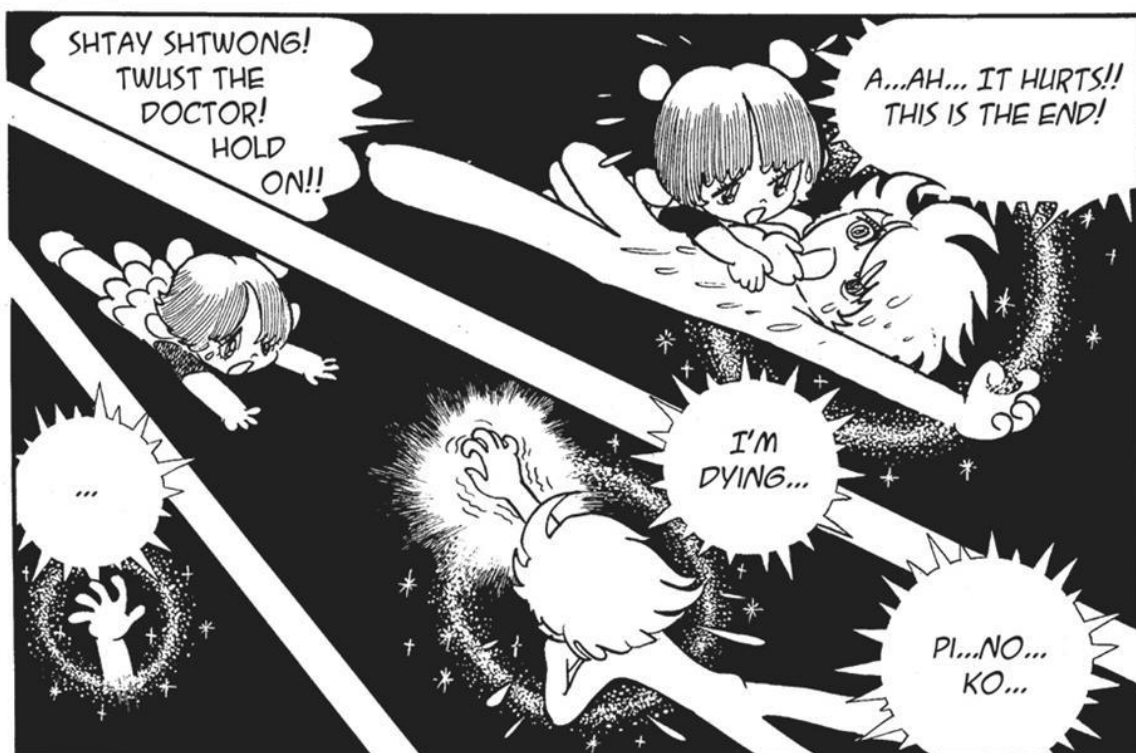


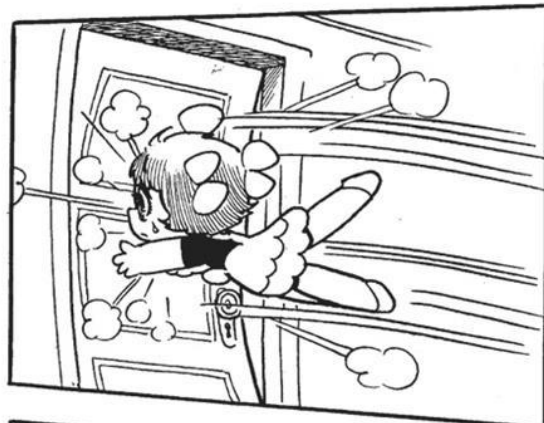
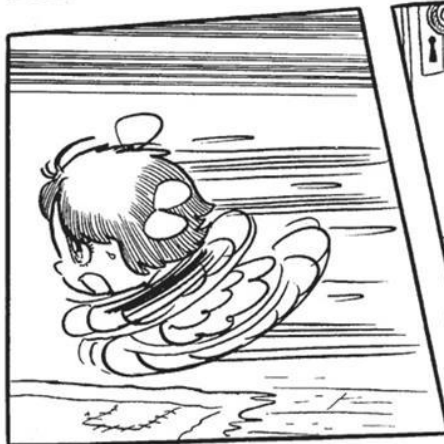


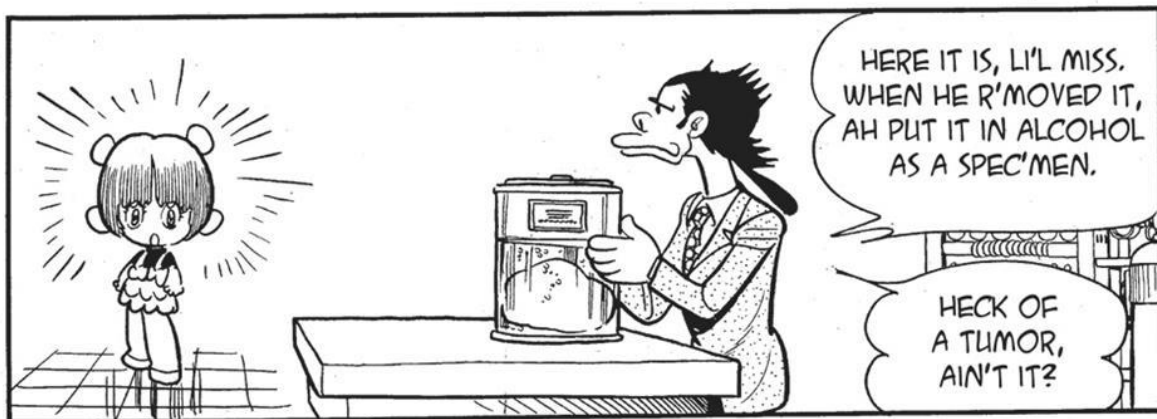






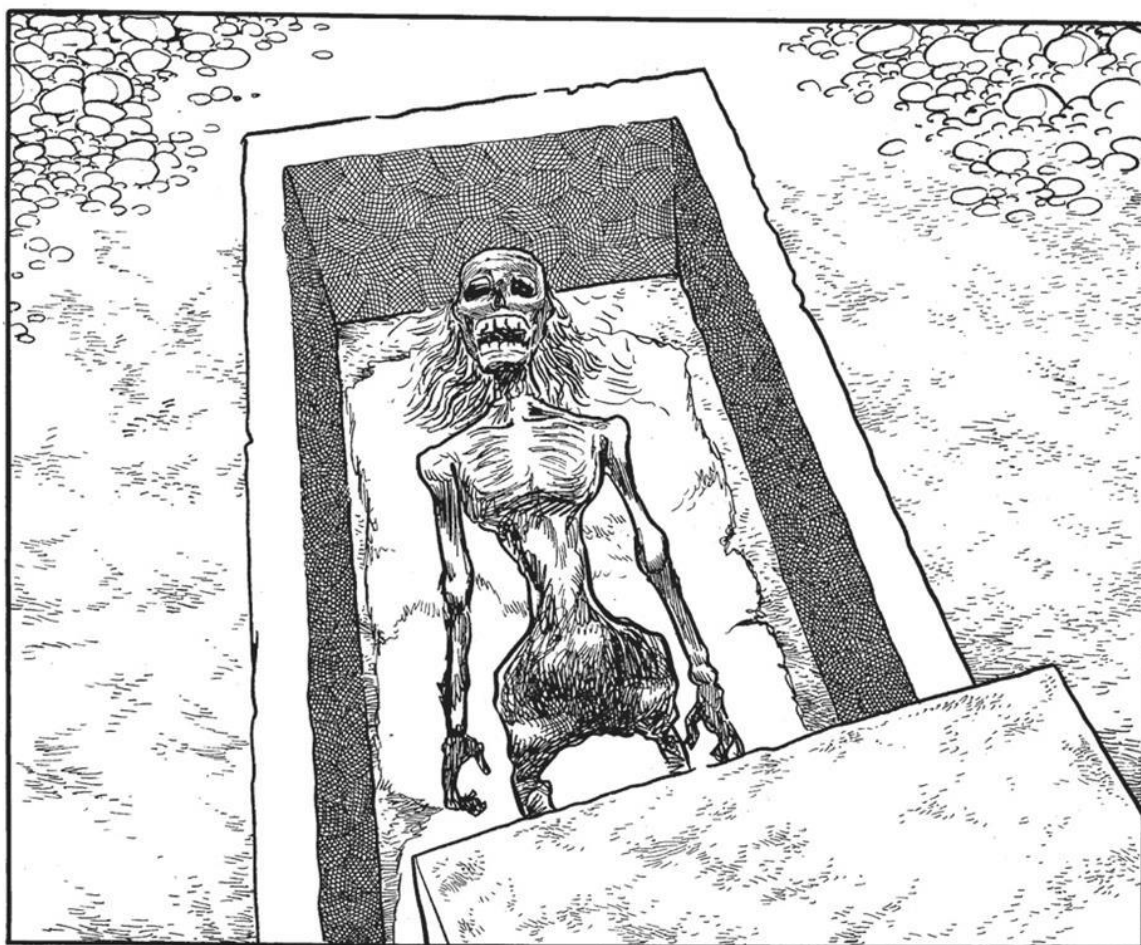


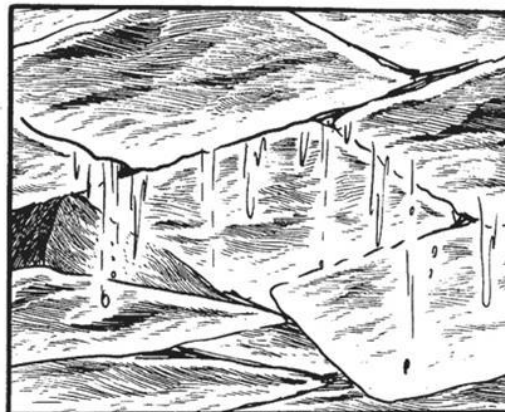


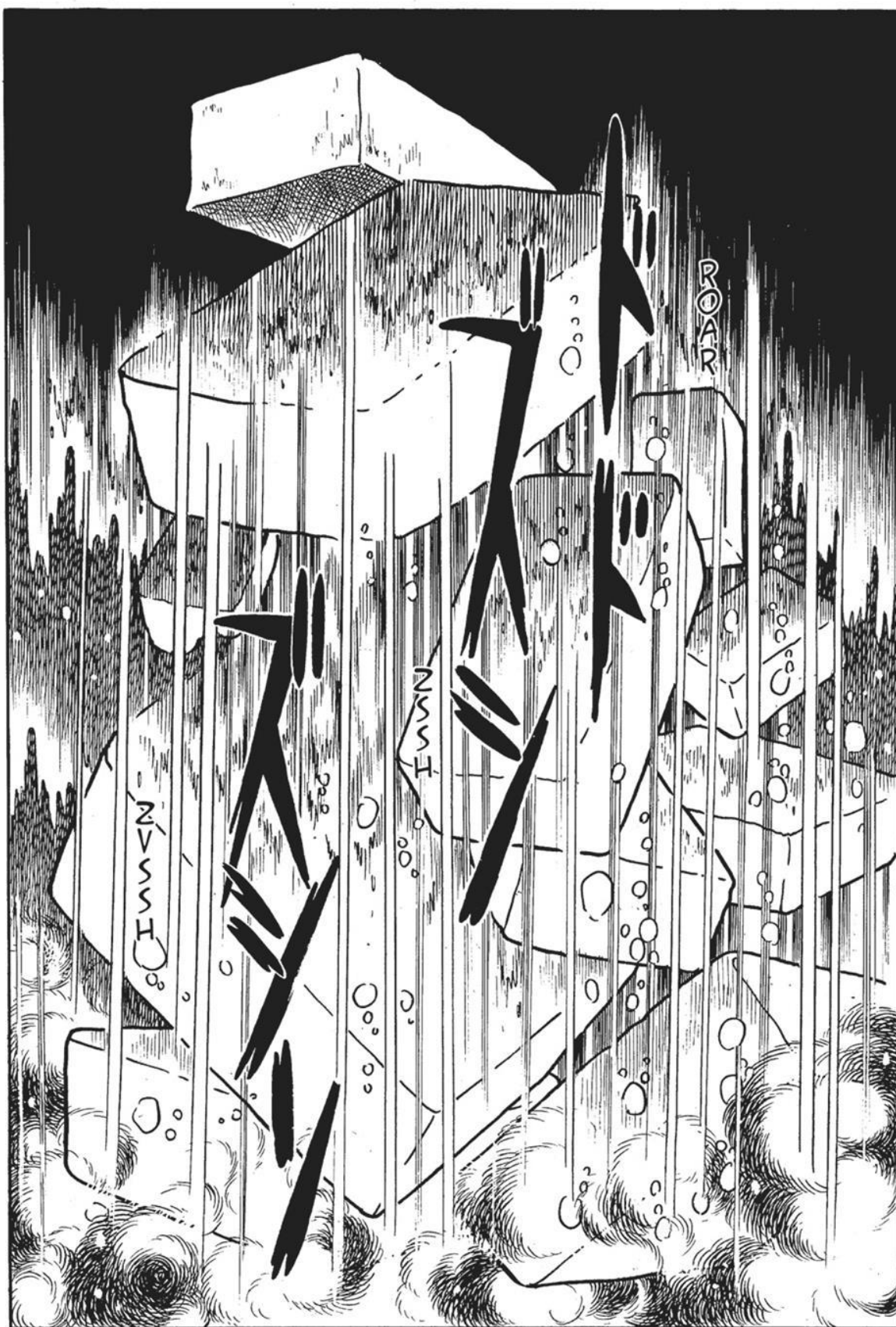


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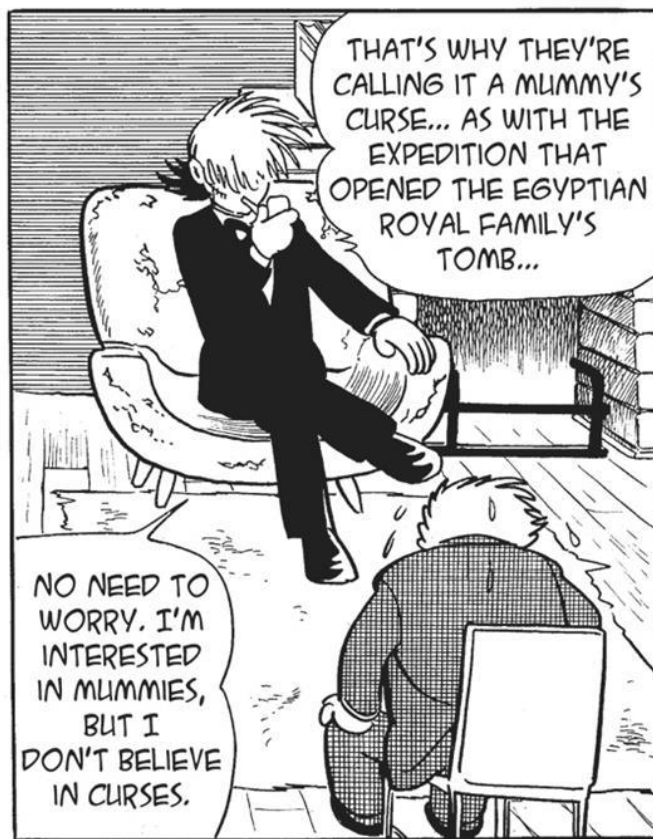
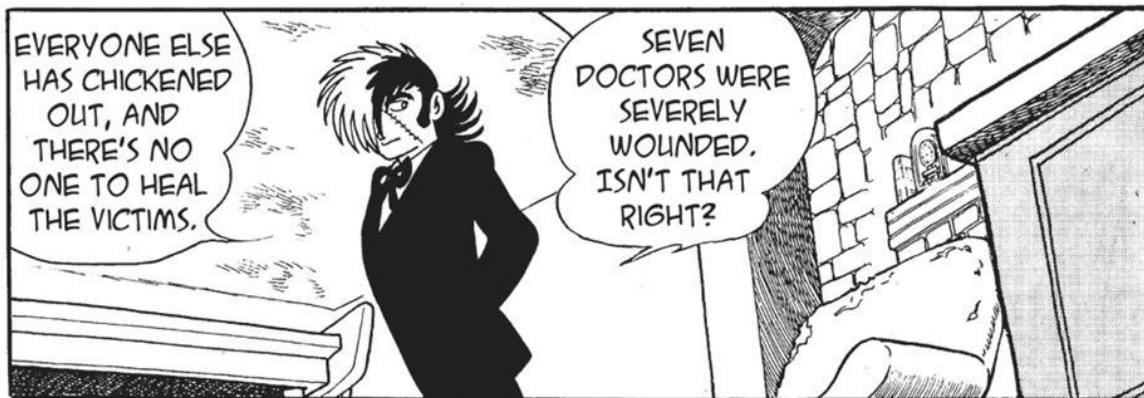


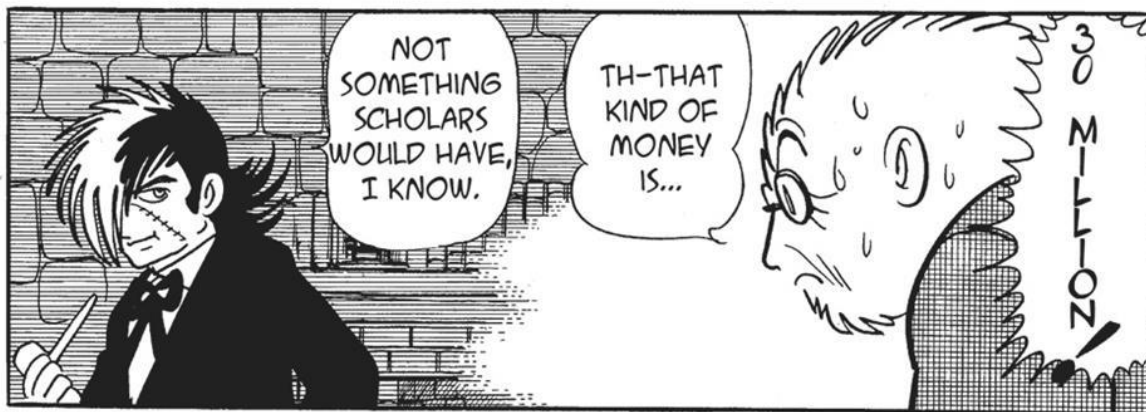




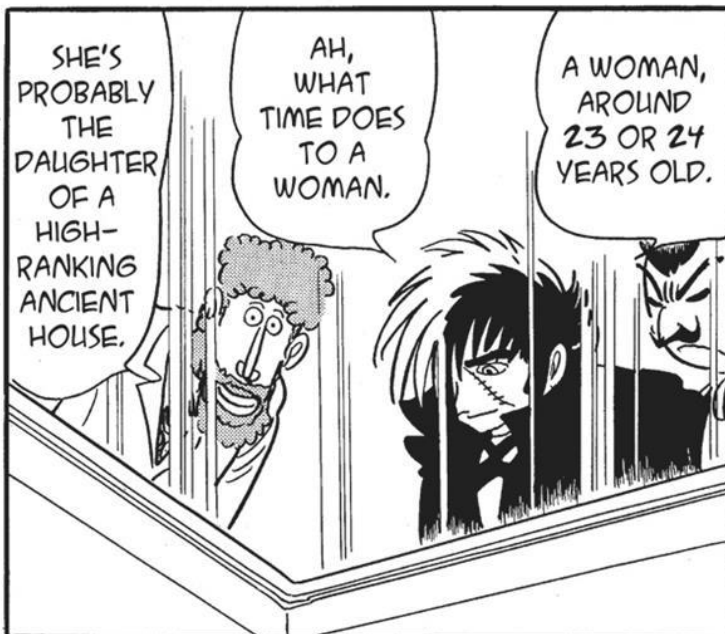
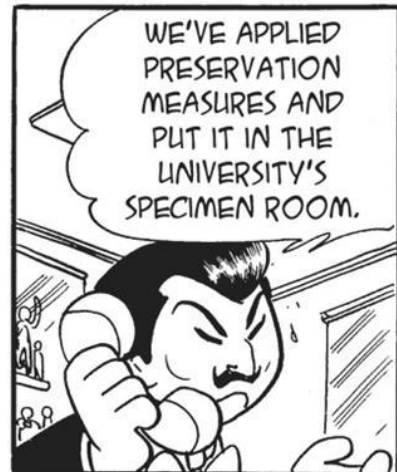


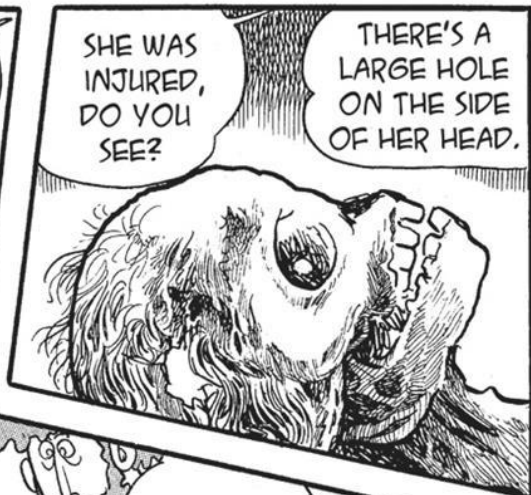
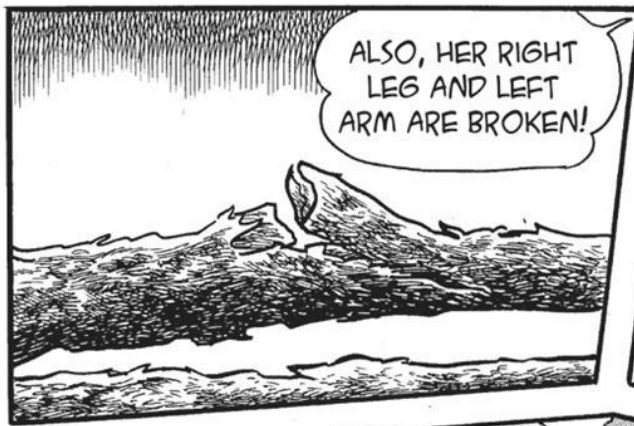






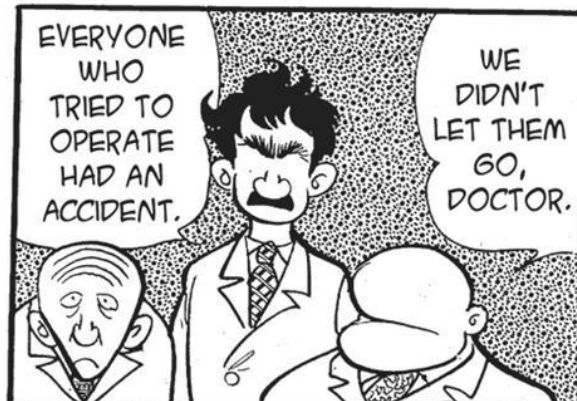


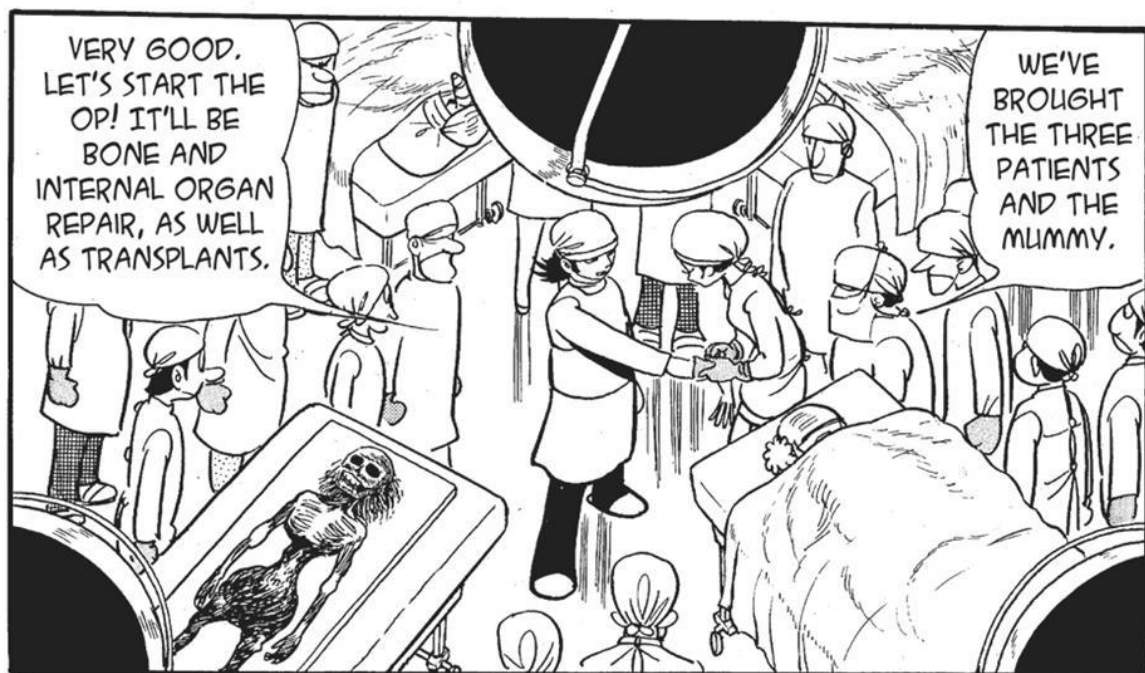




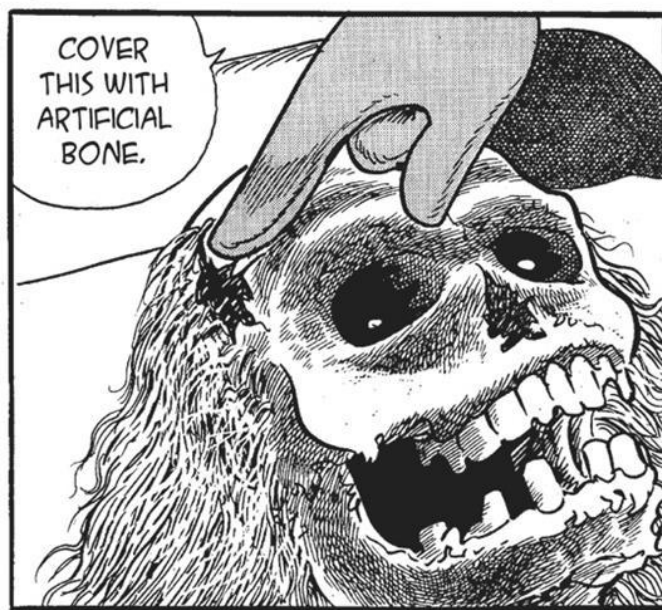
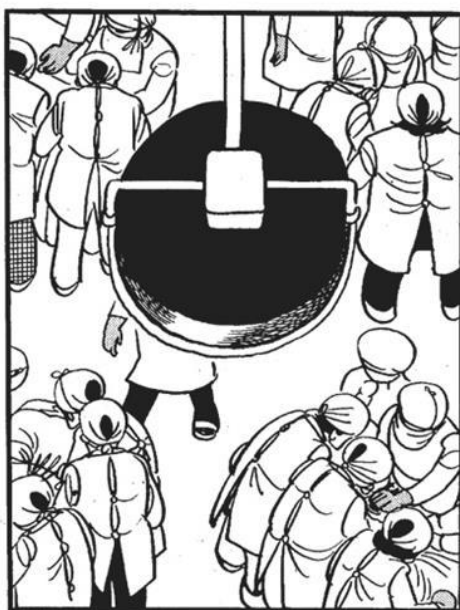


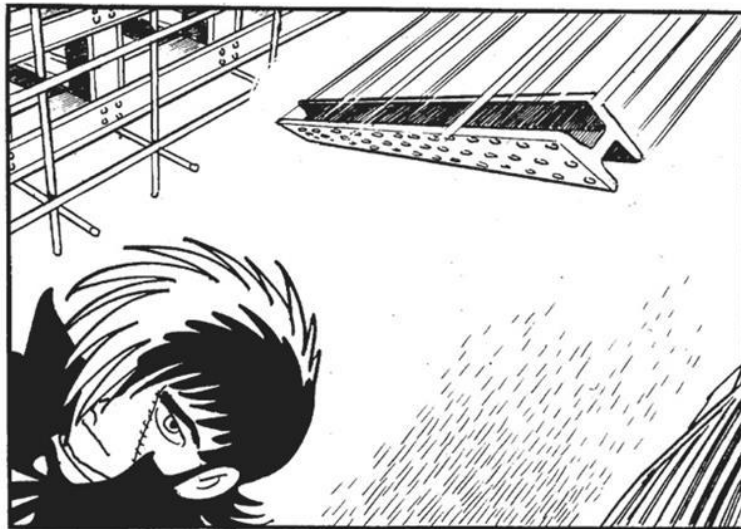
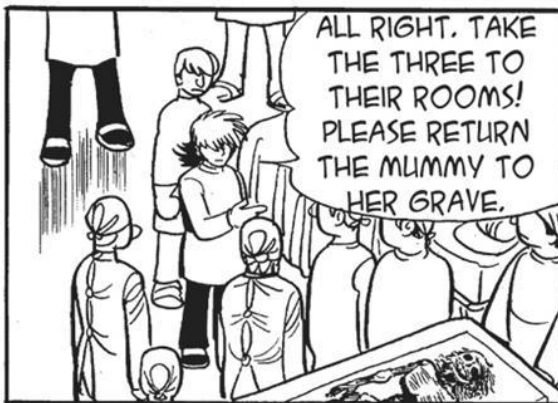
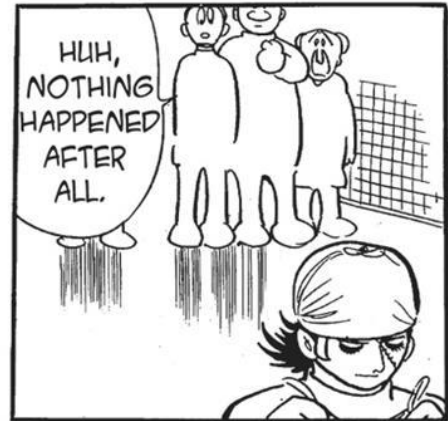


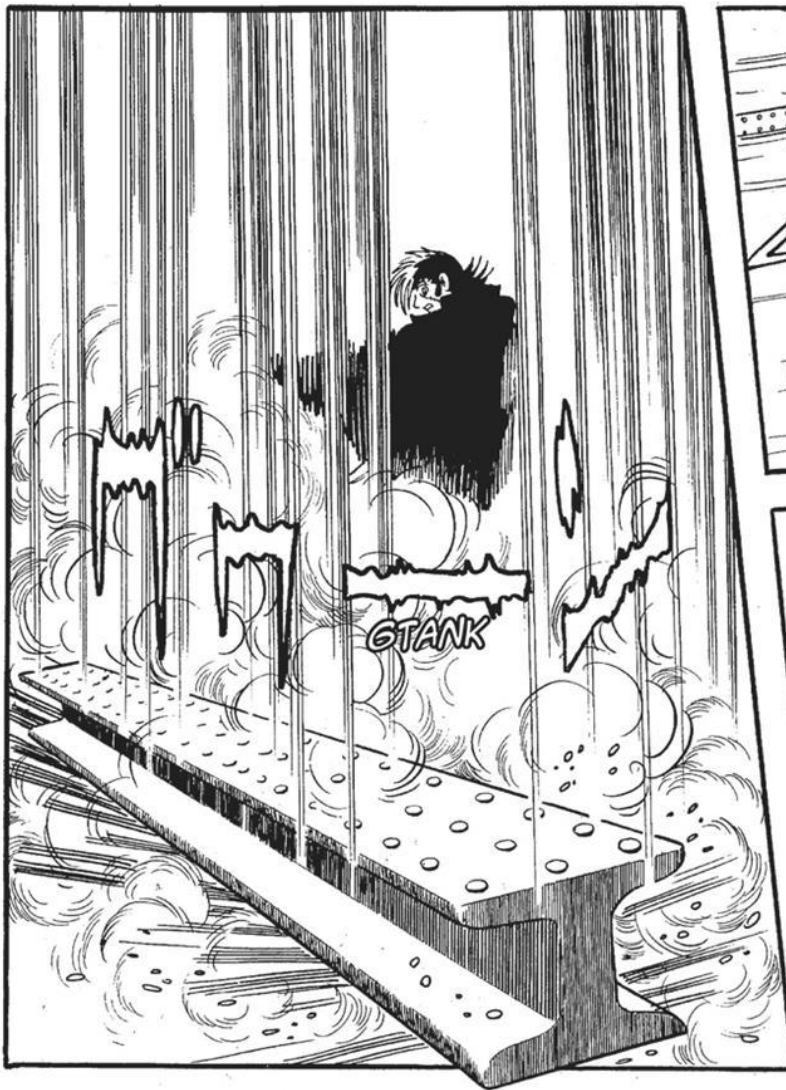




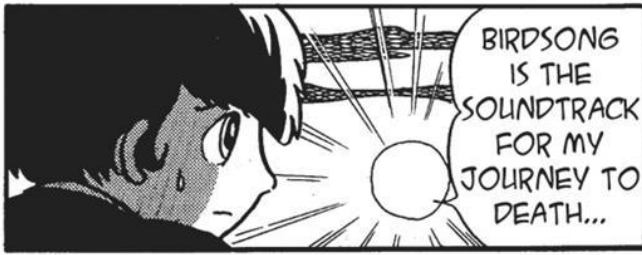


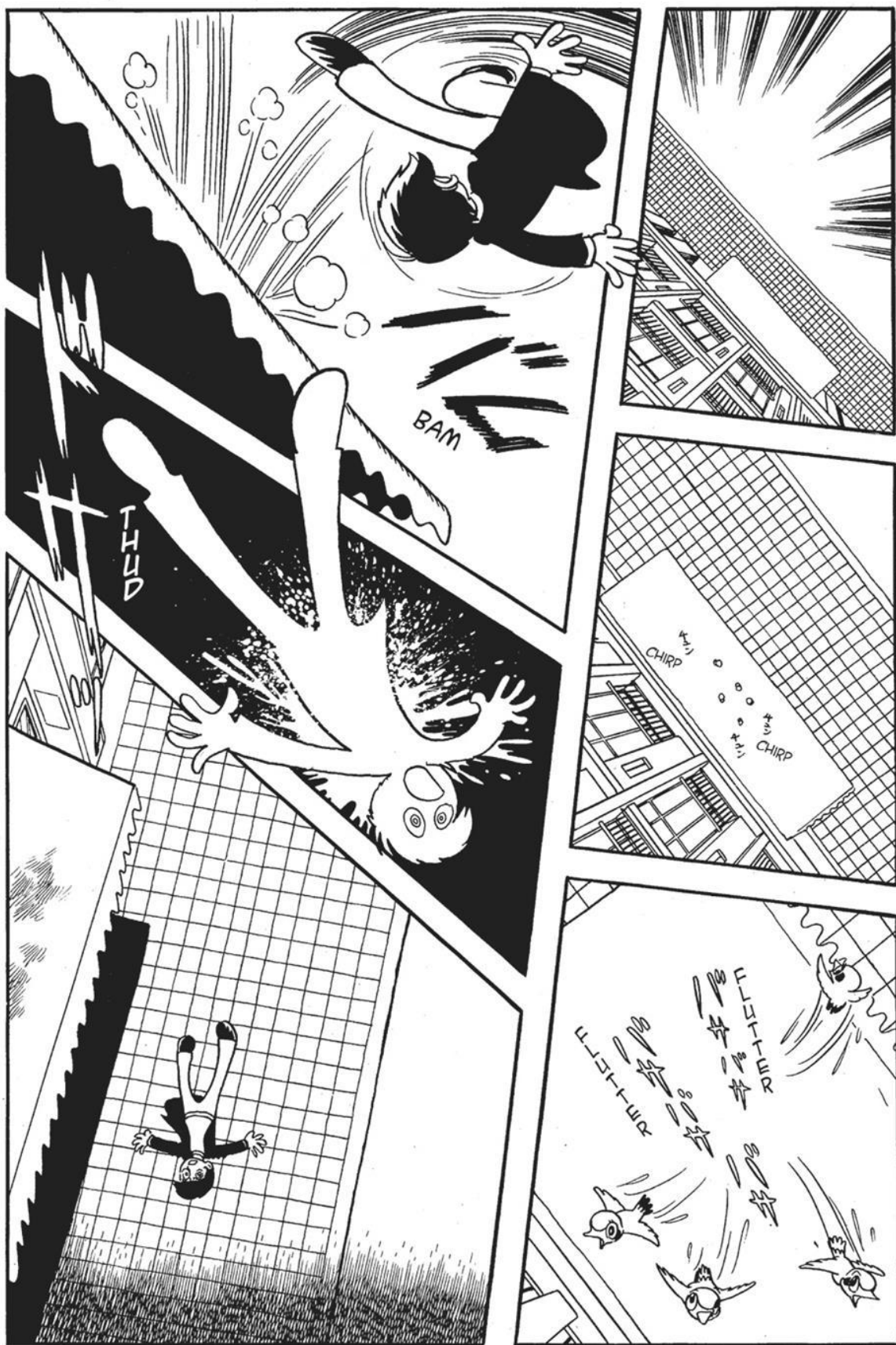






A FUSSY SUICIDE









THERE MAY BE SOME AFTER-EFFECTS, BUT BEAR WITH IT.



DONE.



HE BOUNCED, SO HE GOT OFF WITH SKULL FRACTURES AND SUBARACHNOID BLEEDING.



TOO BAD THERE WAS A DOCTOR PASSING BY. IF IT HAD BEEN A PRIEST, HE MIGHT'VE READ YOU THE SUTRAS.

WHY DID YOU SAVE ME?! YOU DAMN BUSYBODY!!



WHEN I GET BETTER, I'M GOING TO DO IT RIGHT.

IF YOU'D JUST LEFT ME ALONE, I COULD'VE DIED!

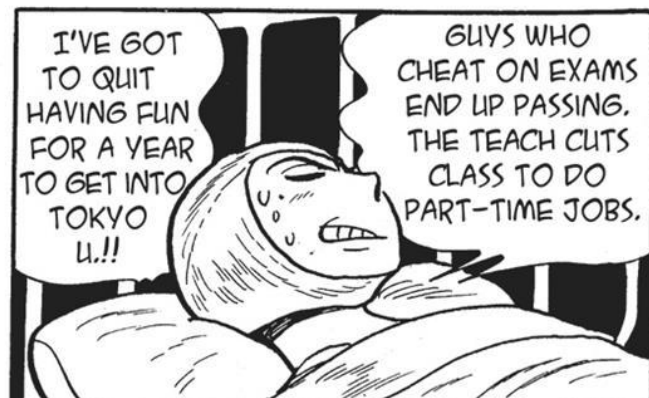


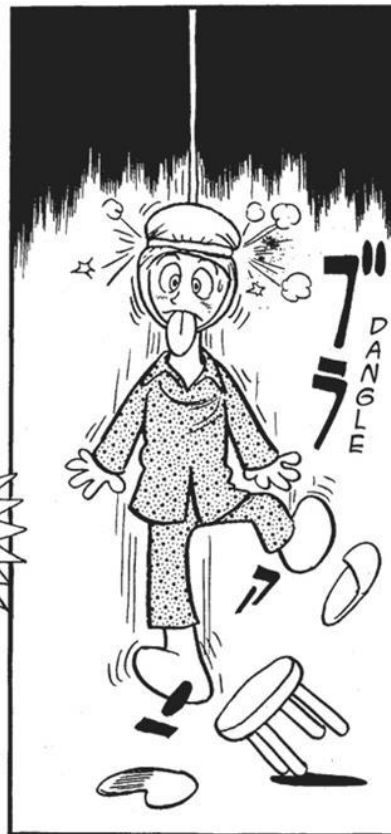
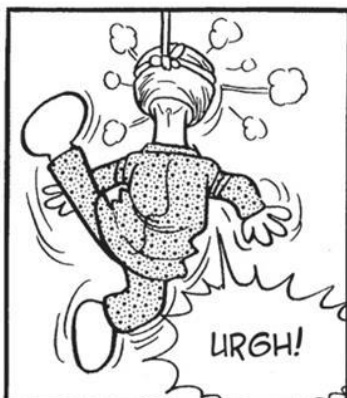
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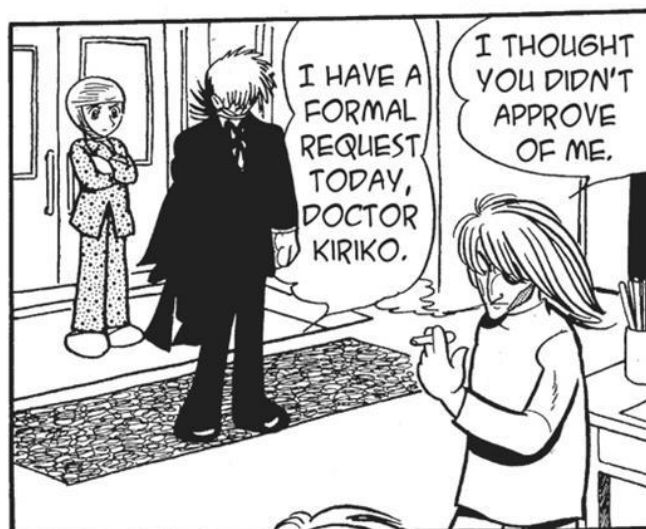
WHY DO YOU WANT TO DIE SO MUCH ?



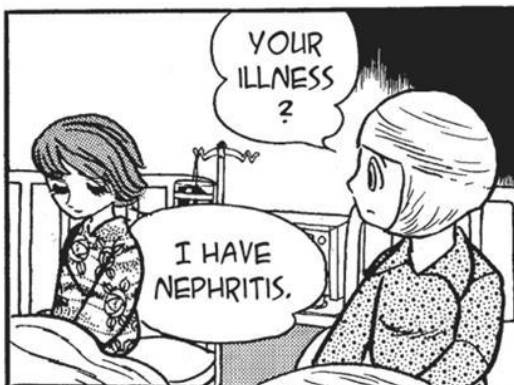
THERE'S GRATITUDE FOR YOU.

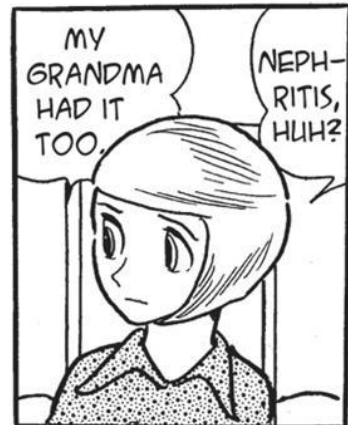


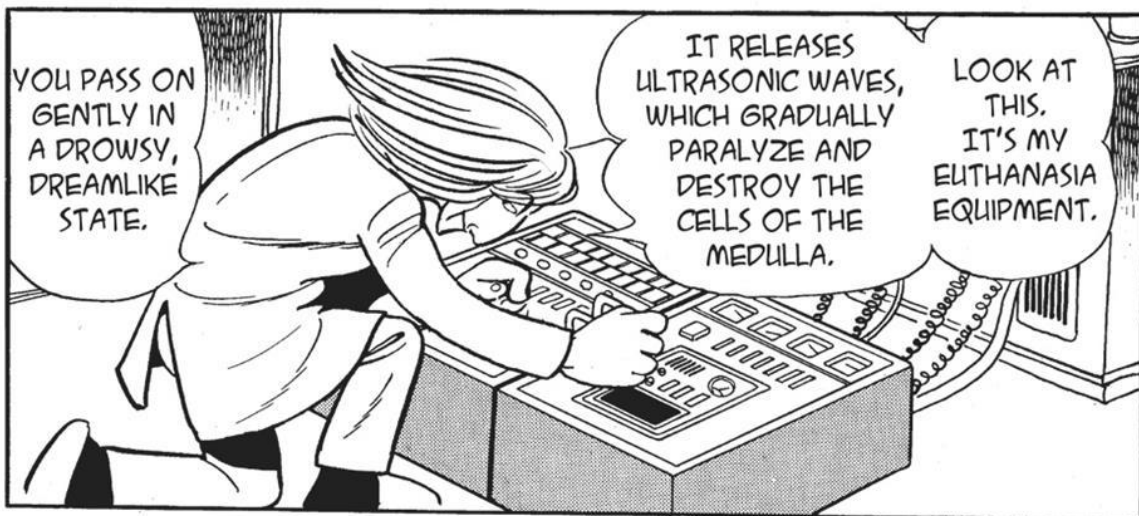
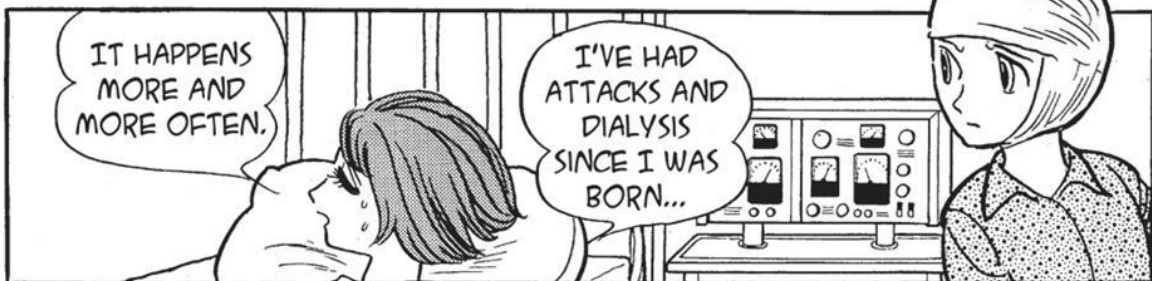
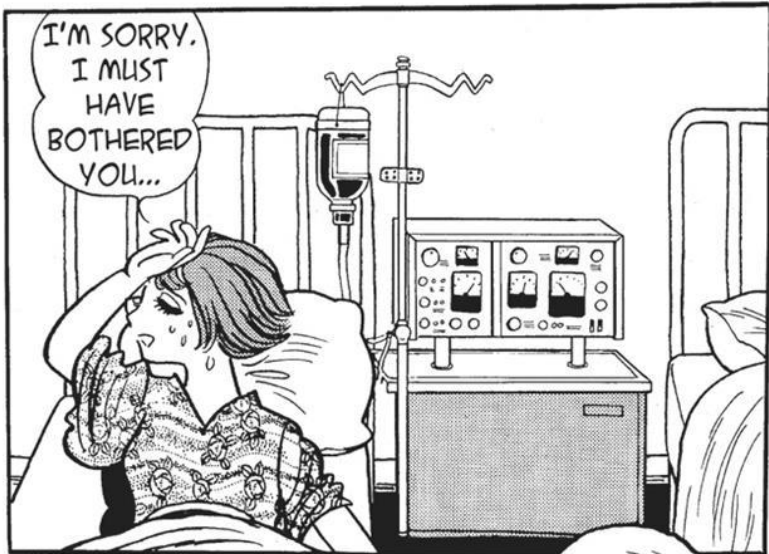


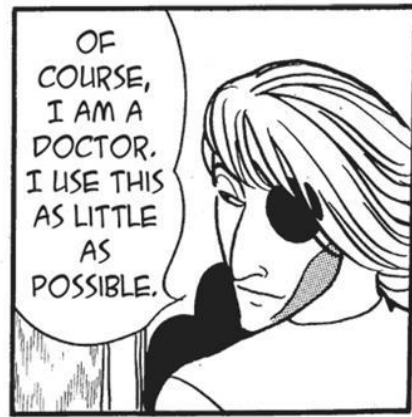


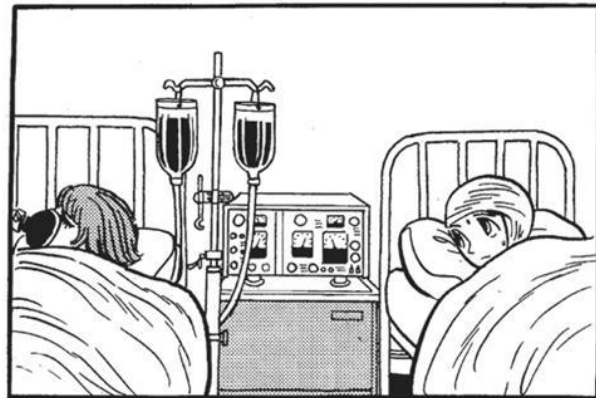
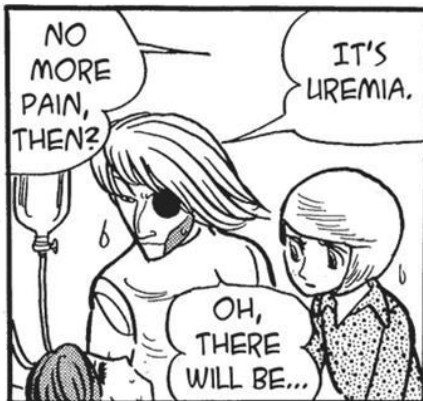




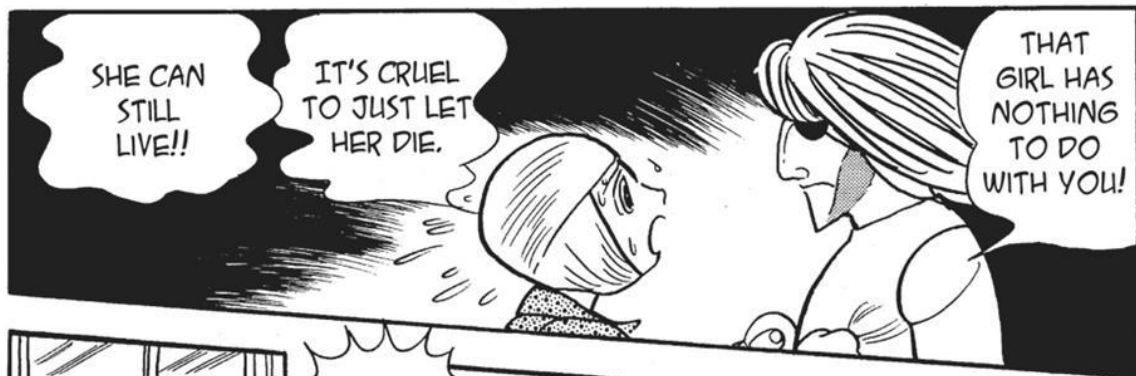


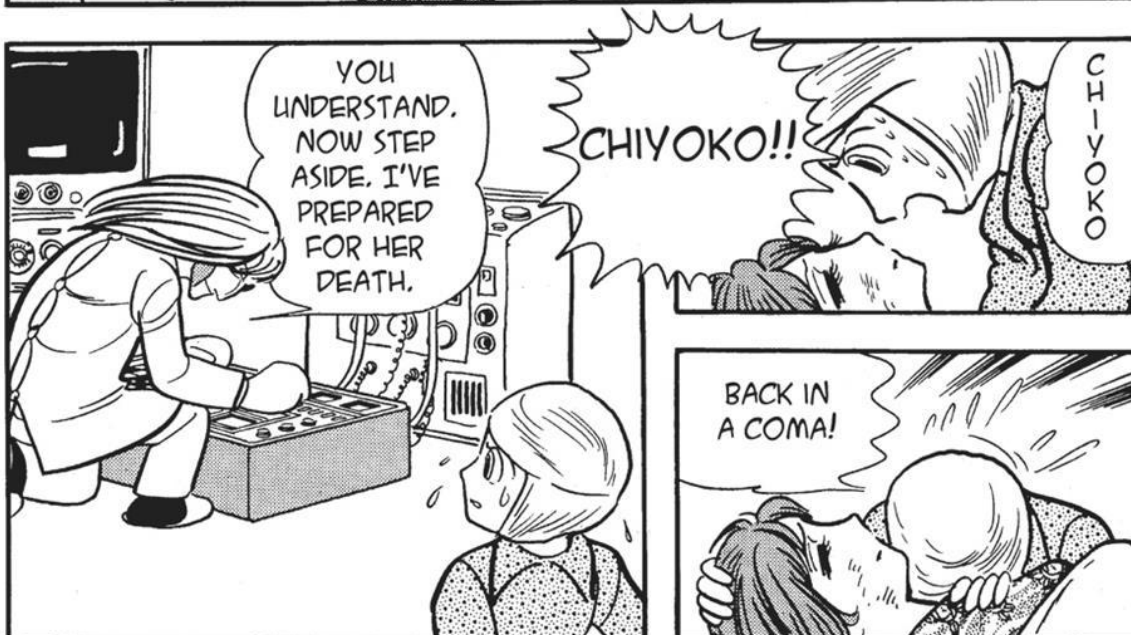
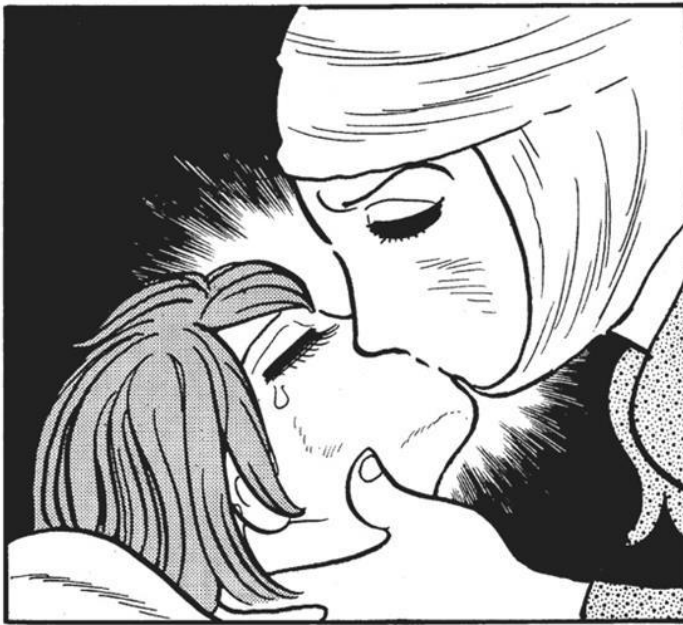


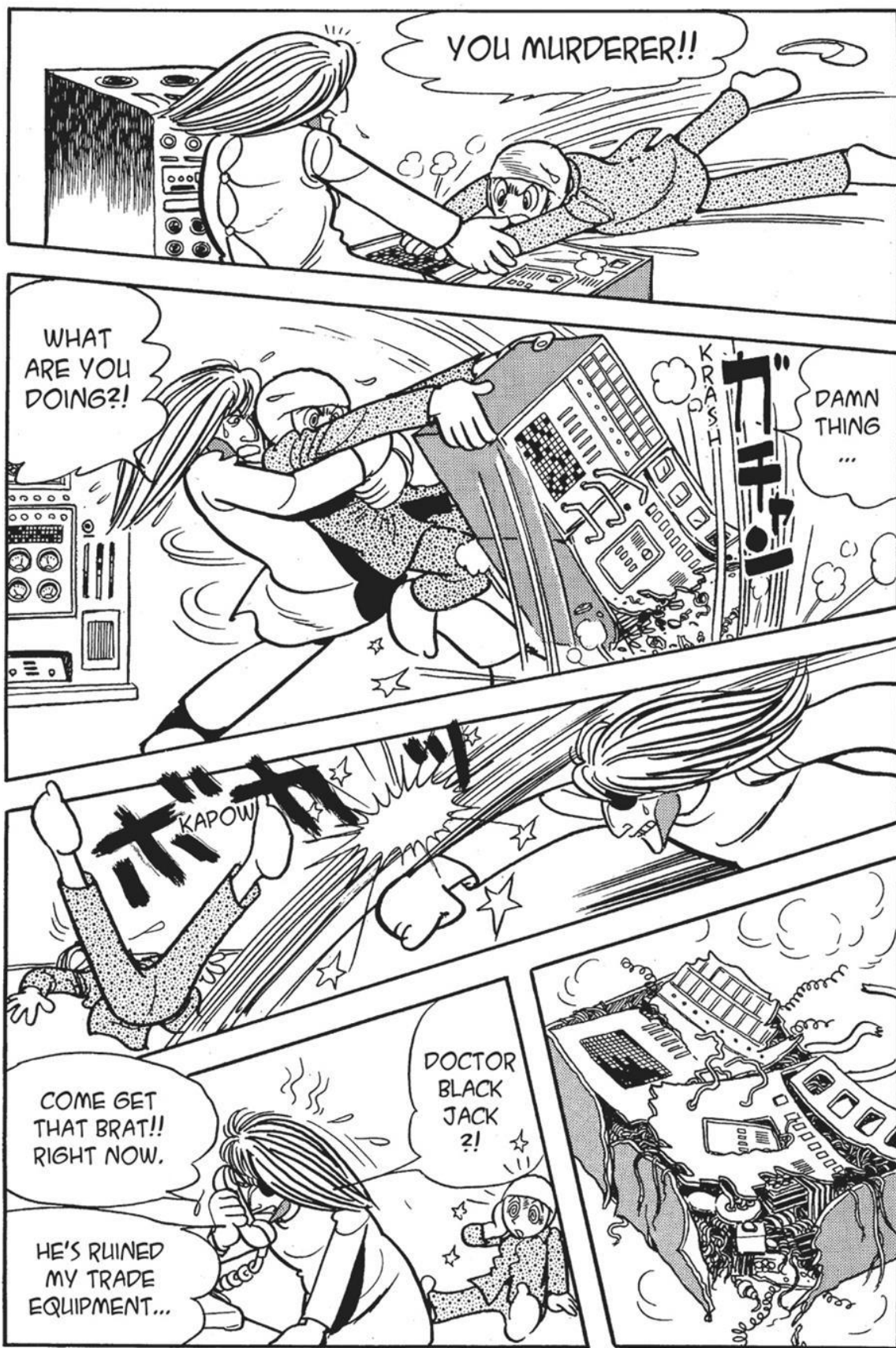


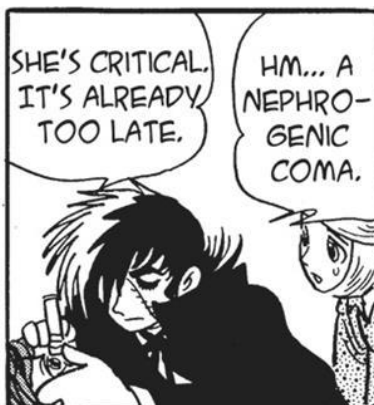
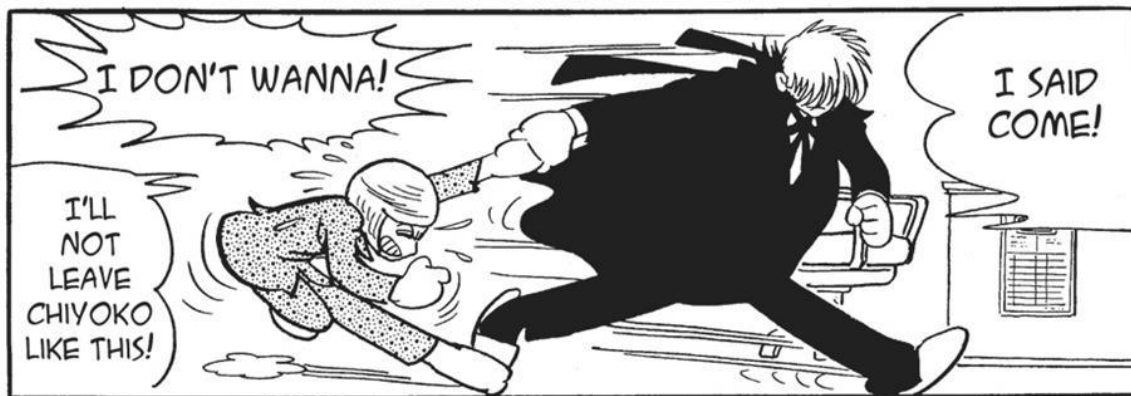
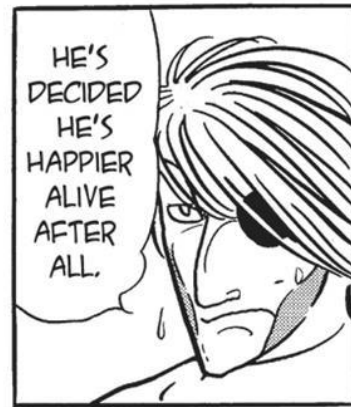
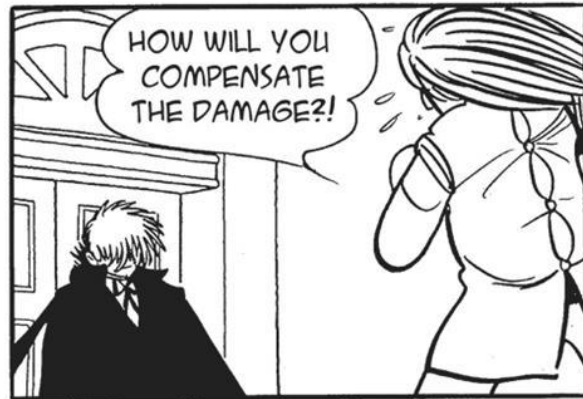
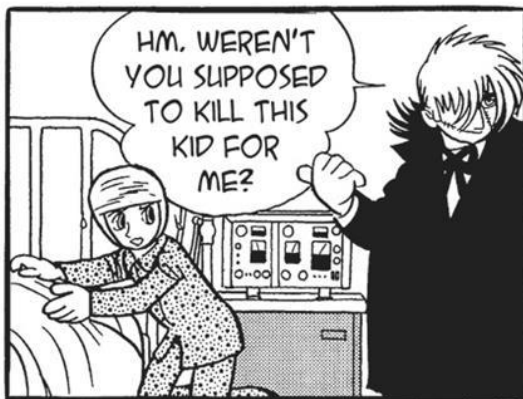


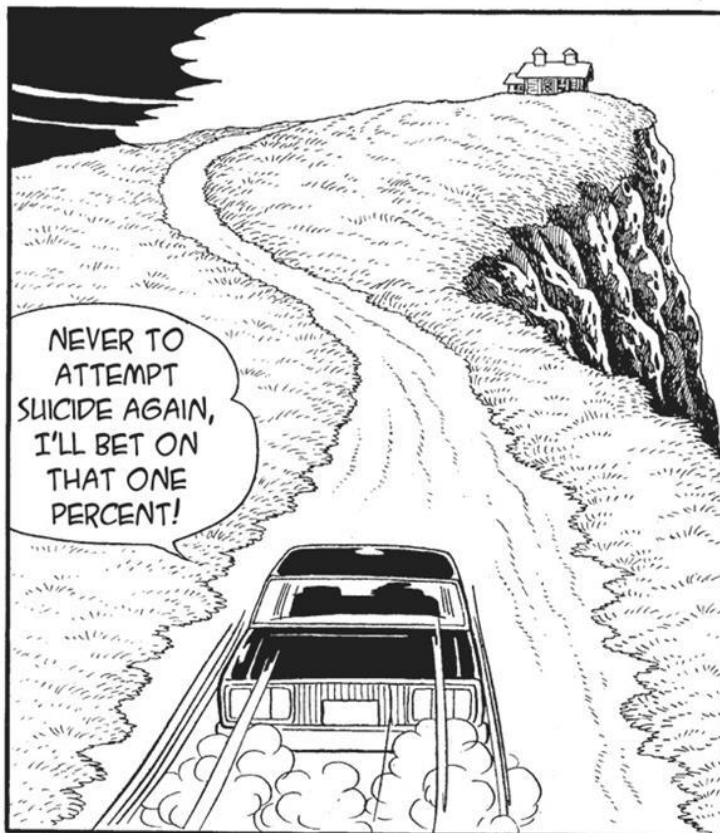
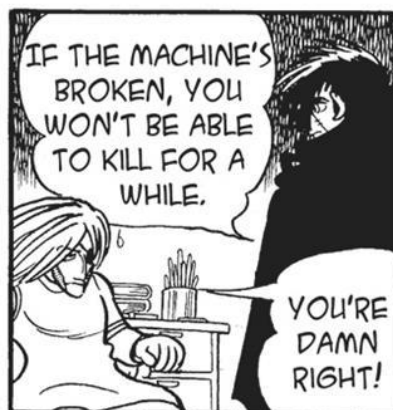




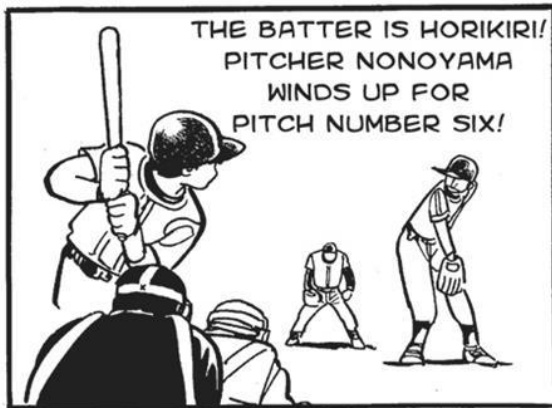






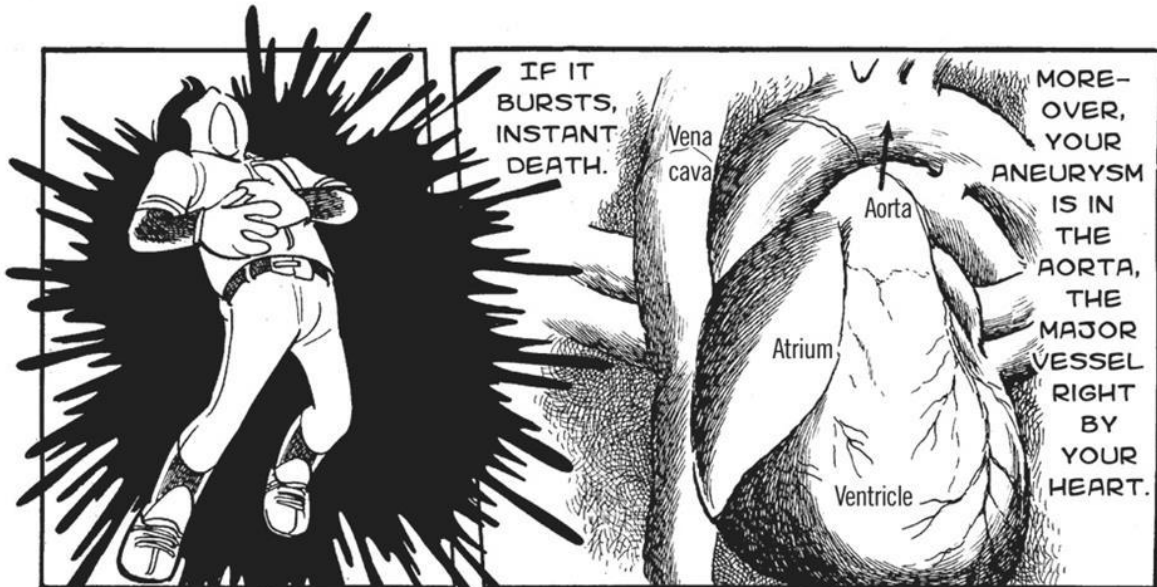


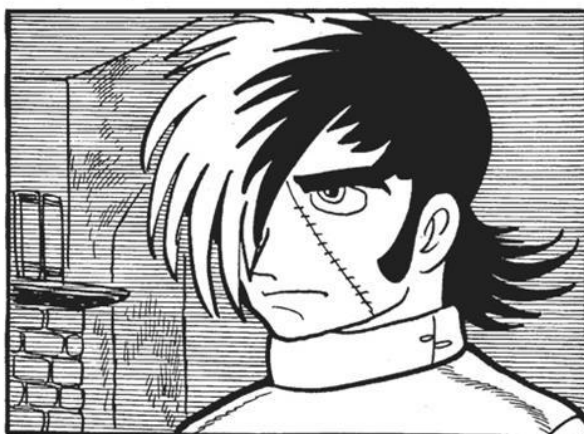
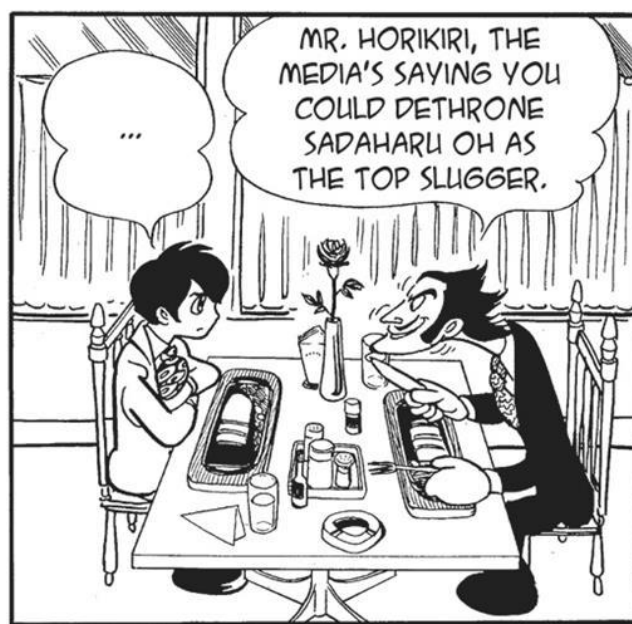
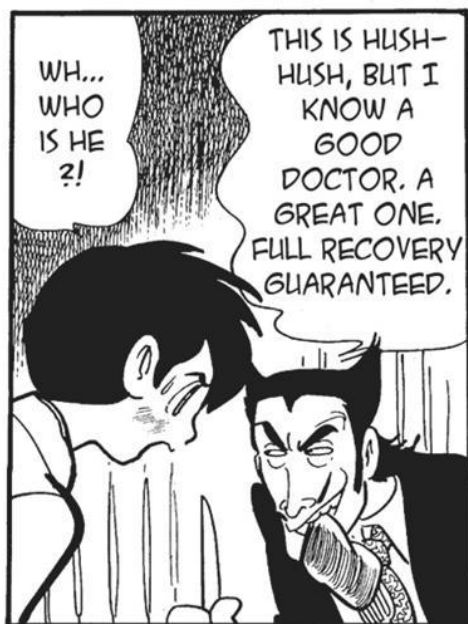
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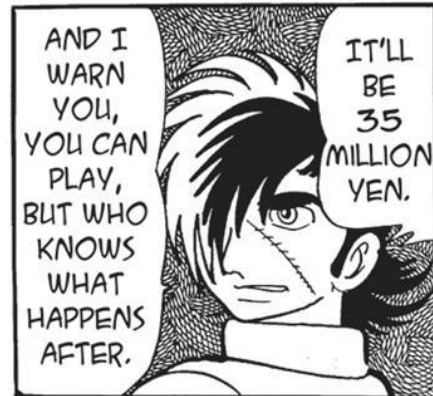
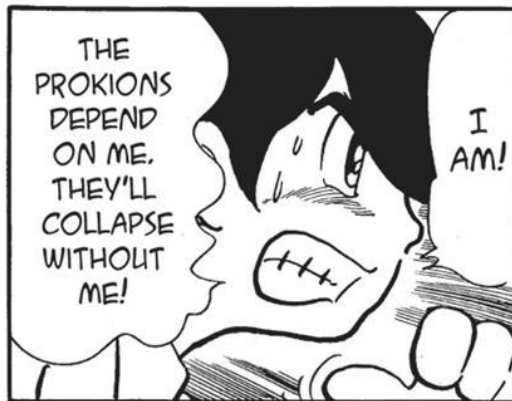
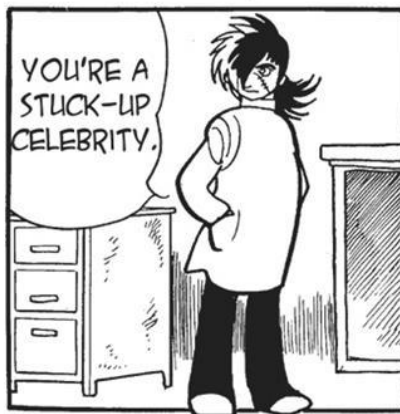




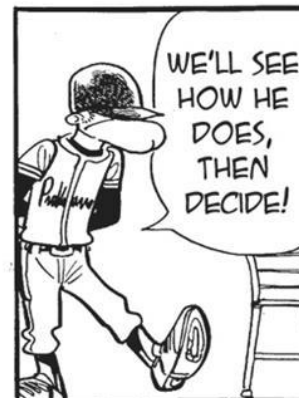
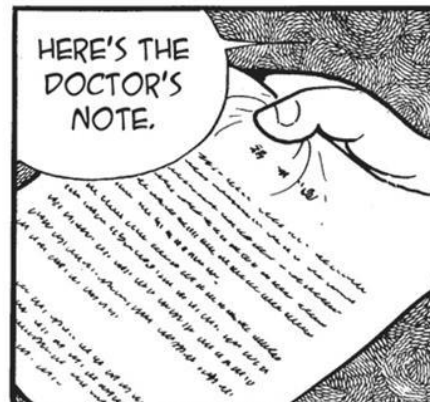
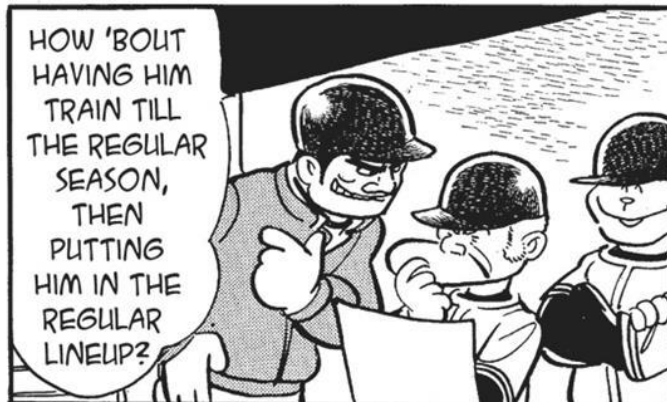
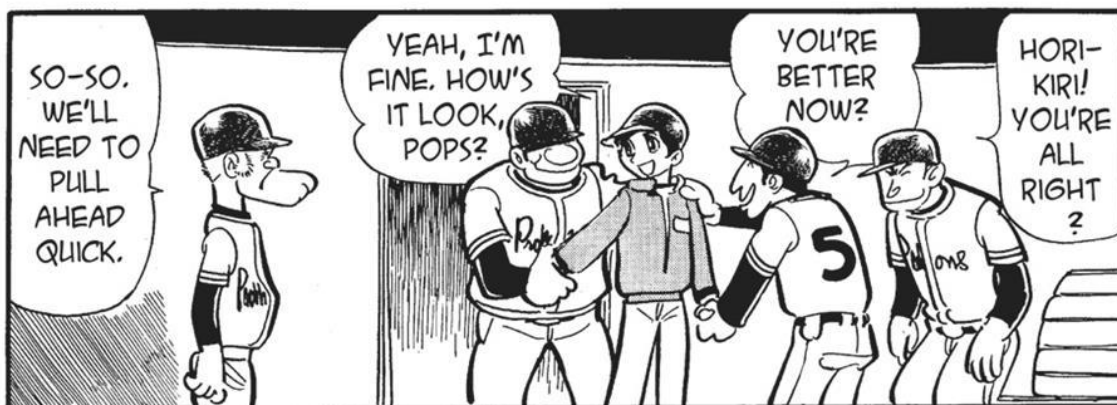


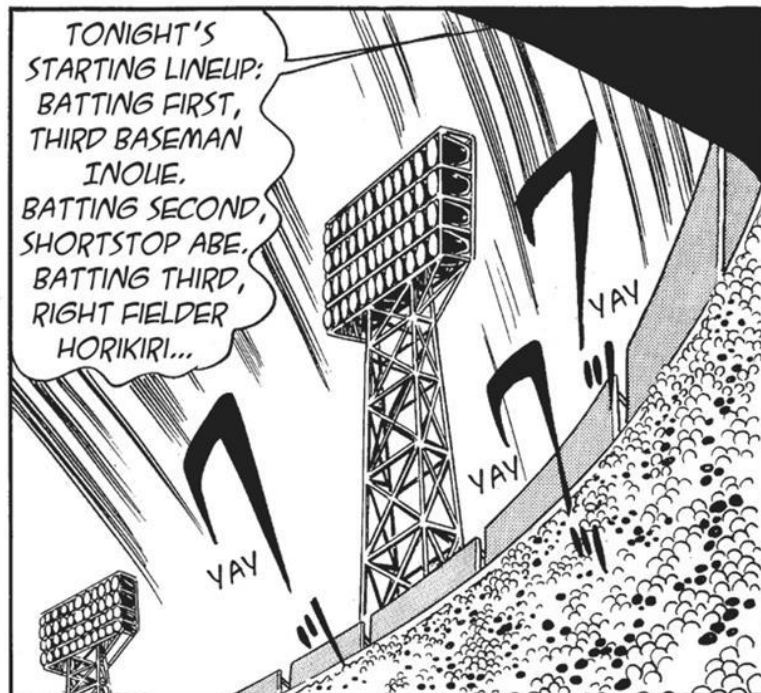


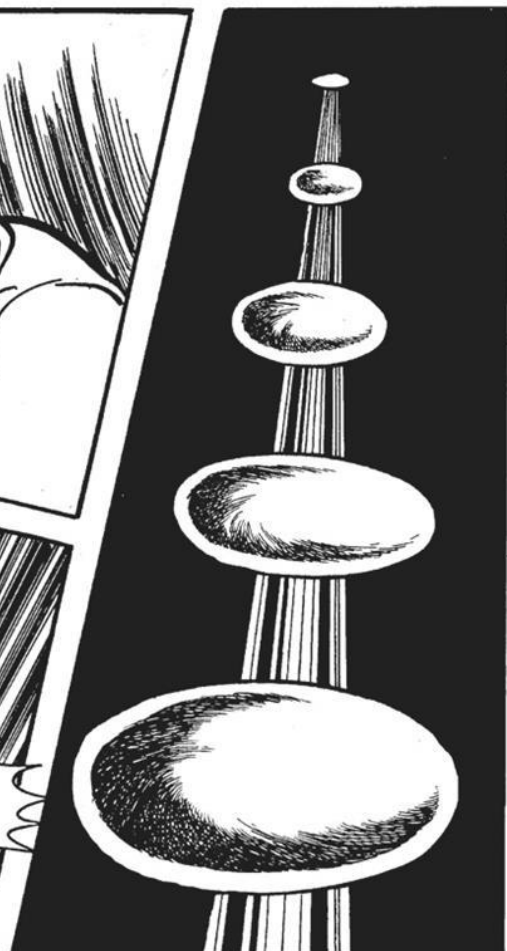
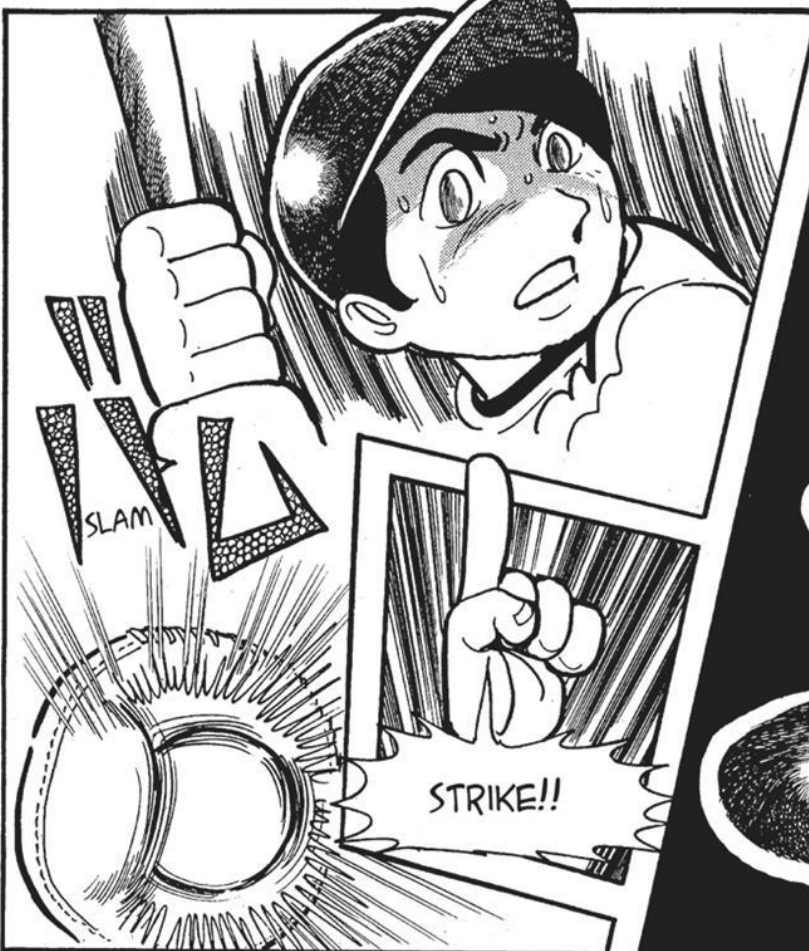
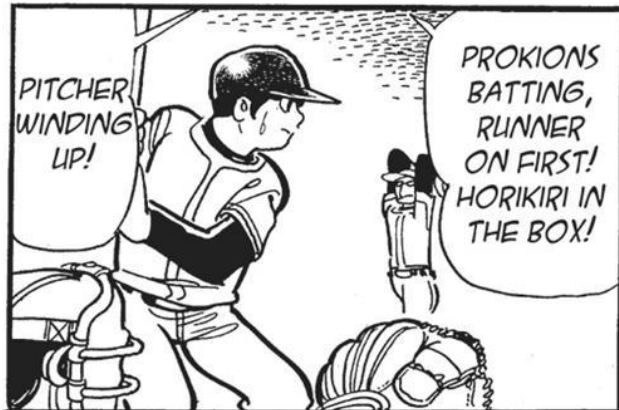


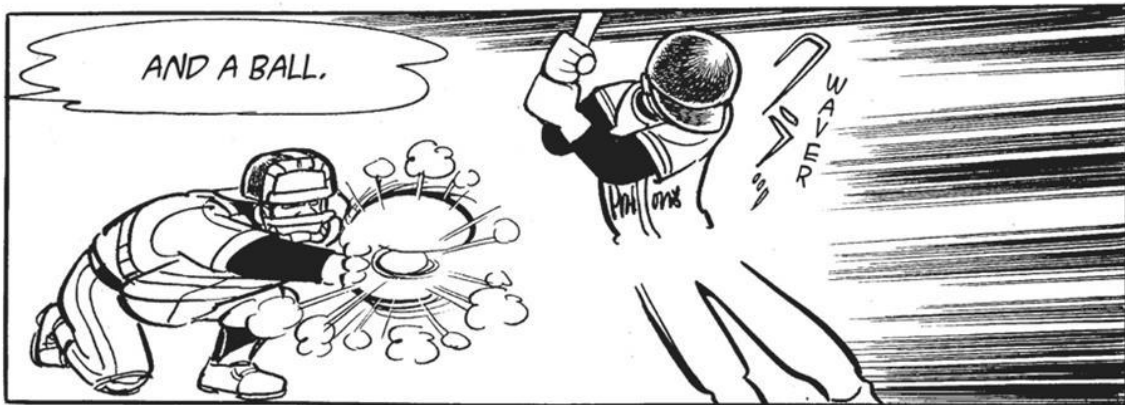


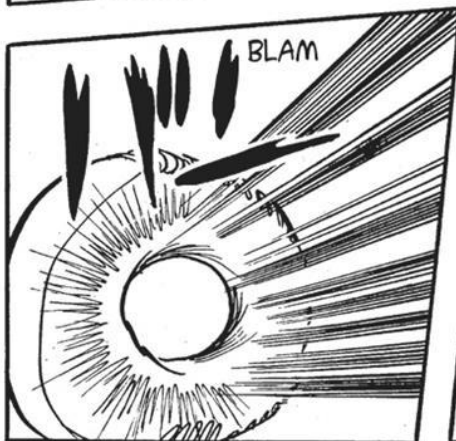
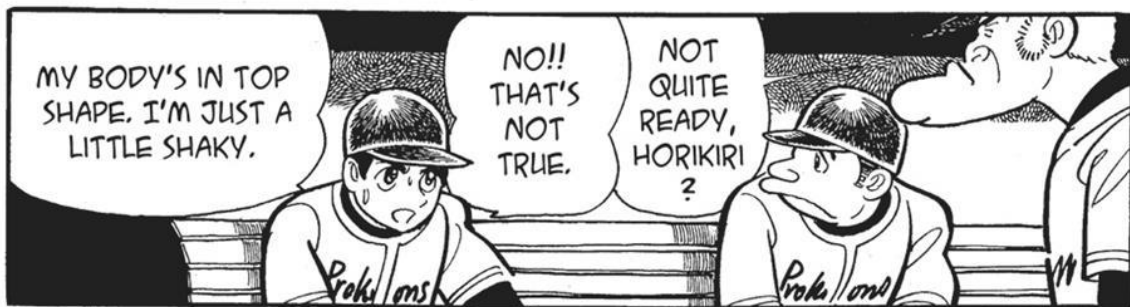


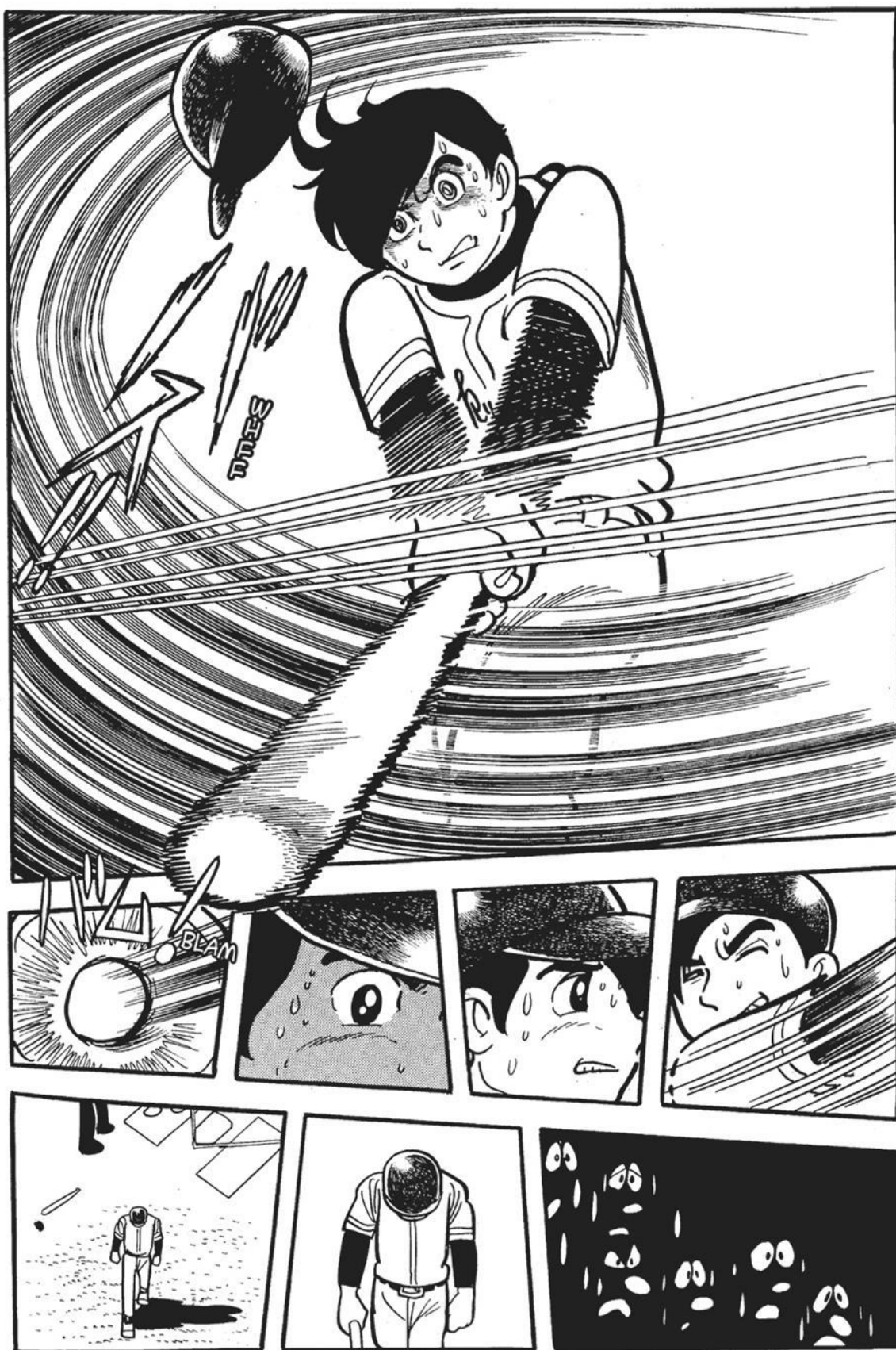




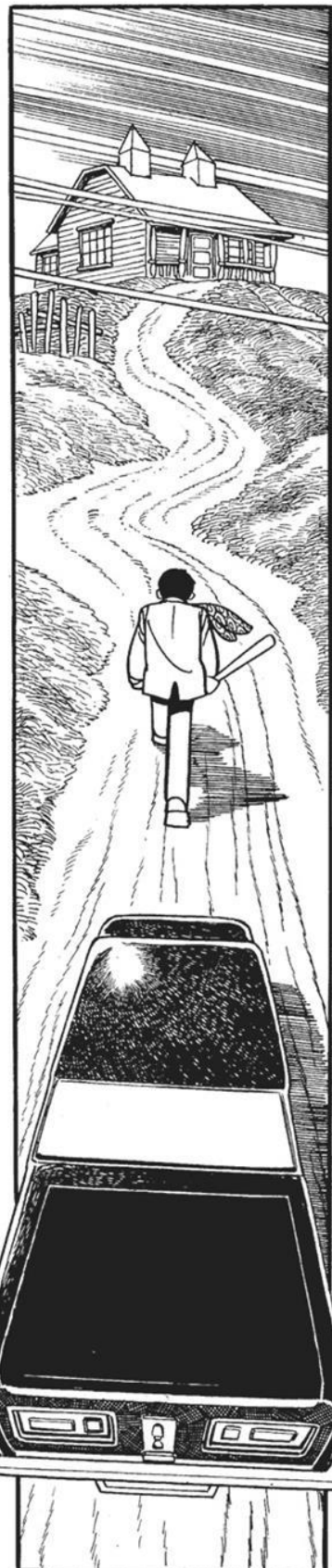
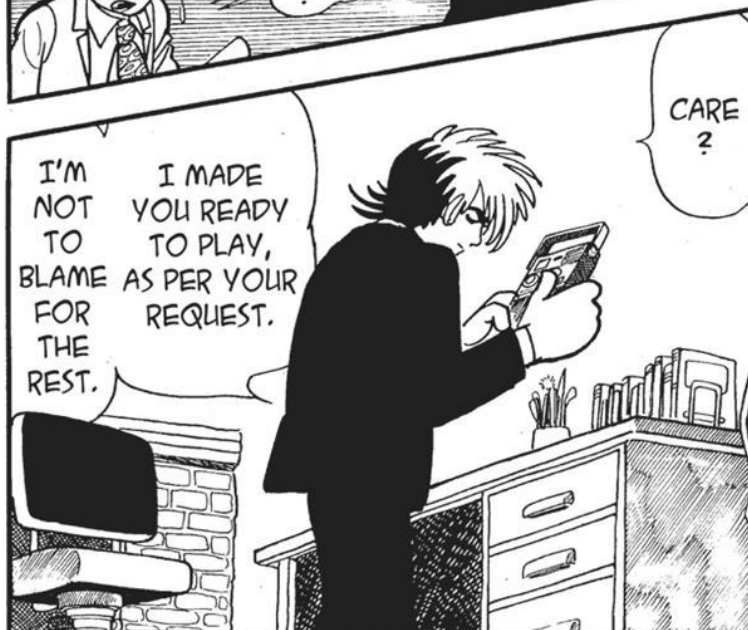
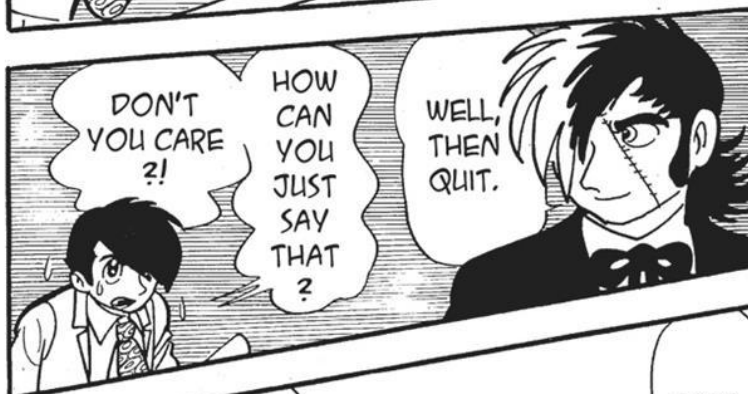
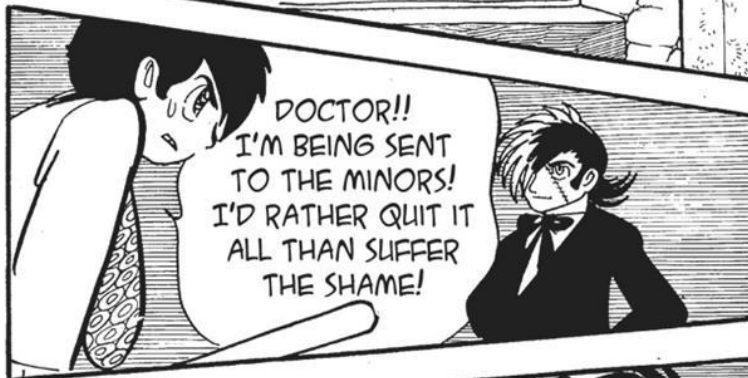


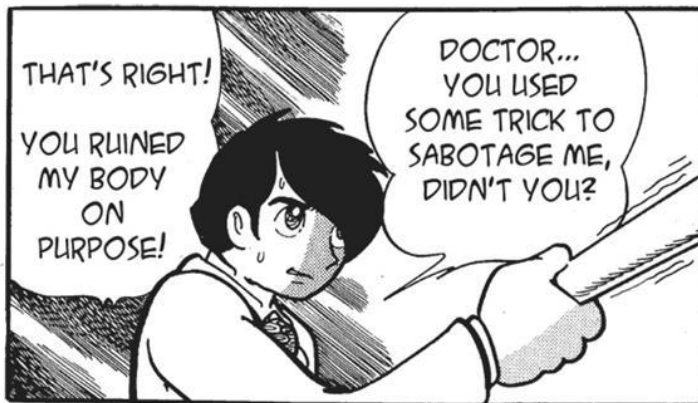


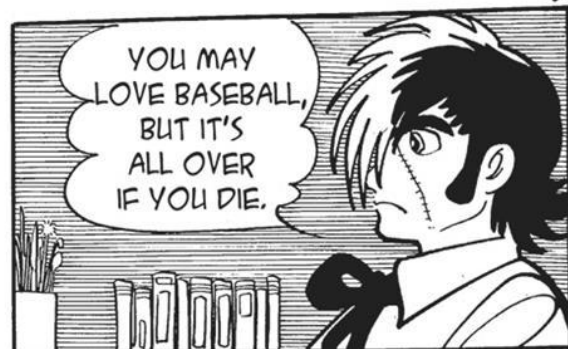
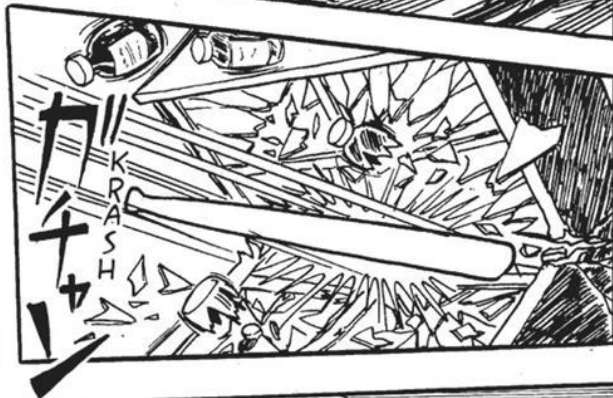
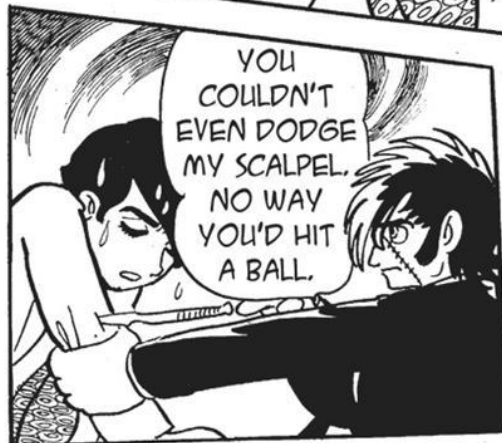
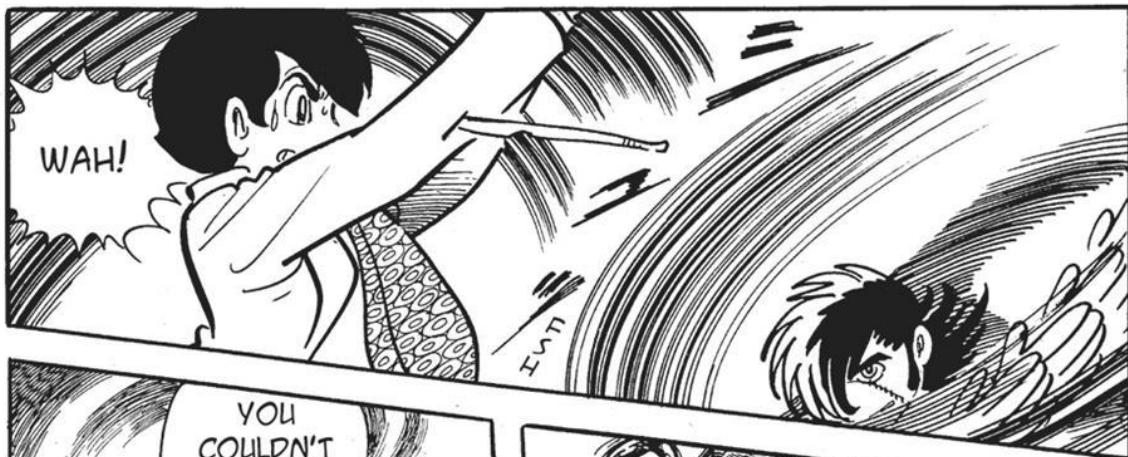


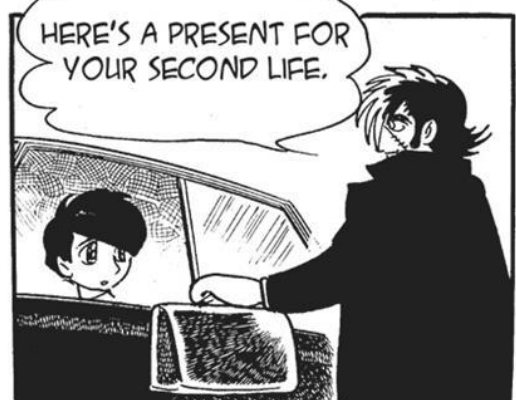
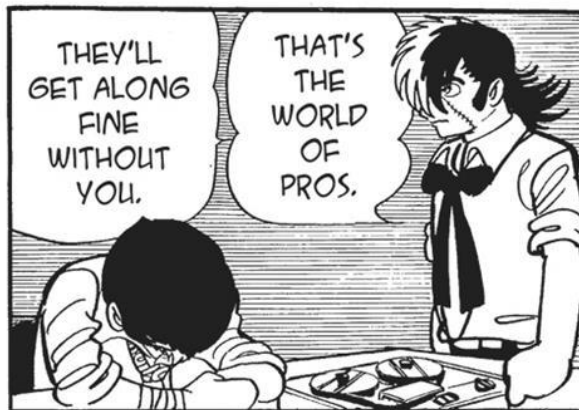










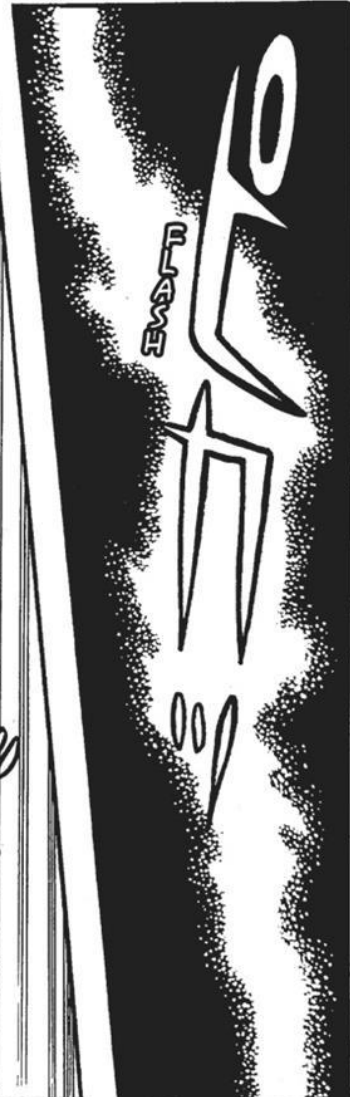
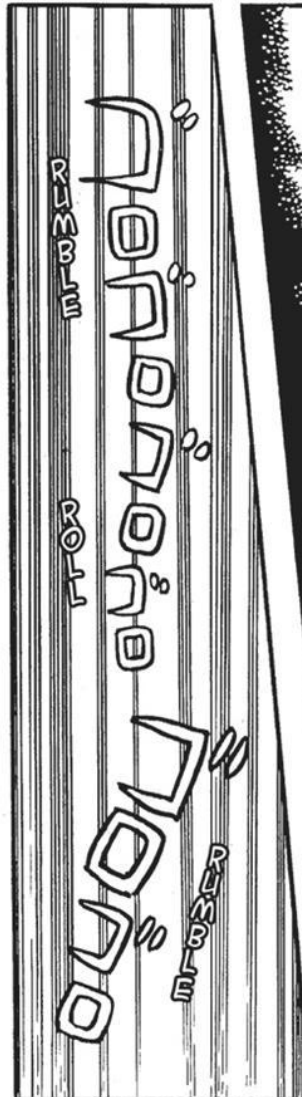


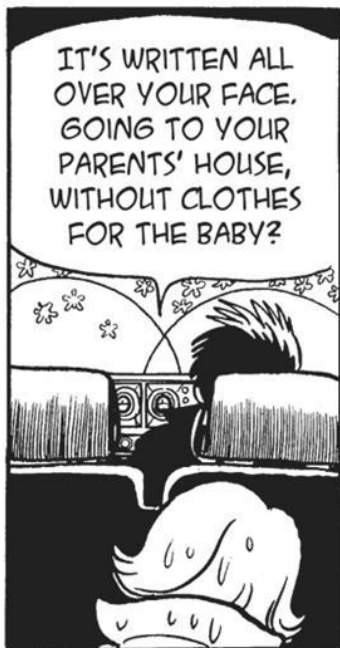


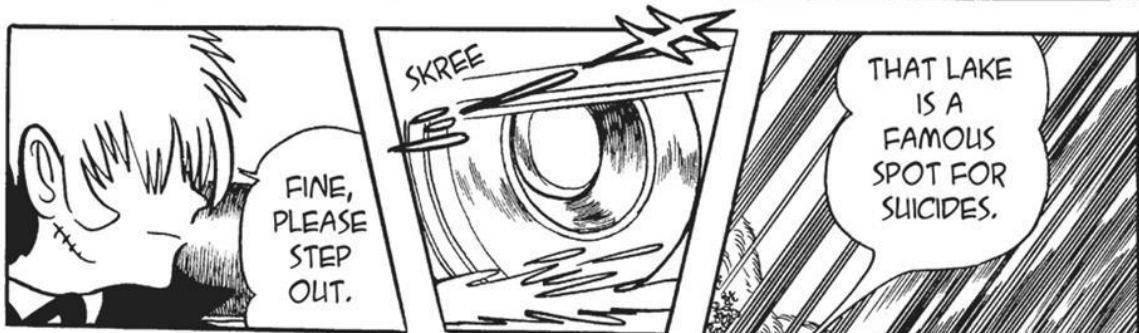
A NIGHT IN A COTTAGE



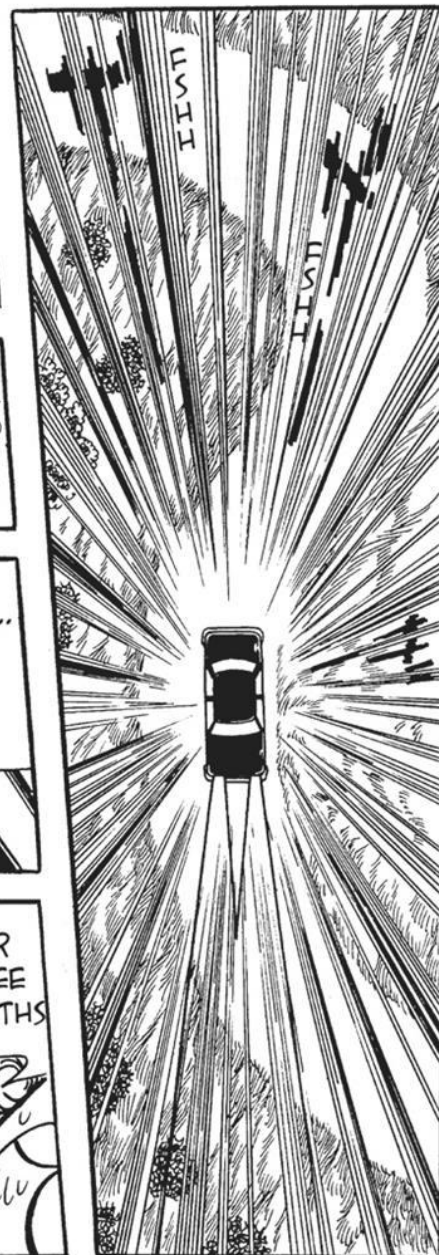
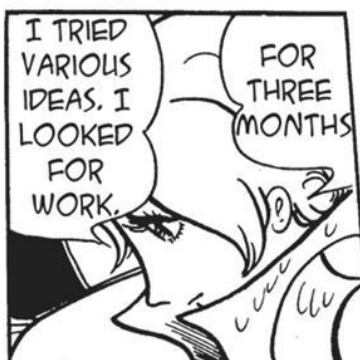


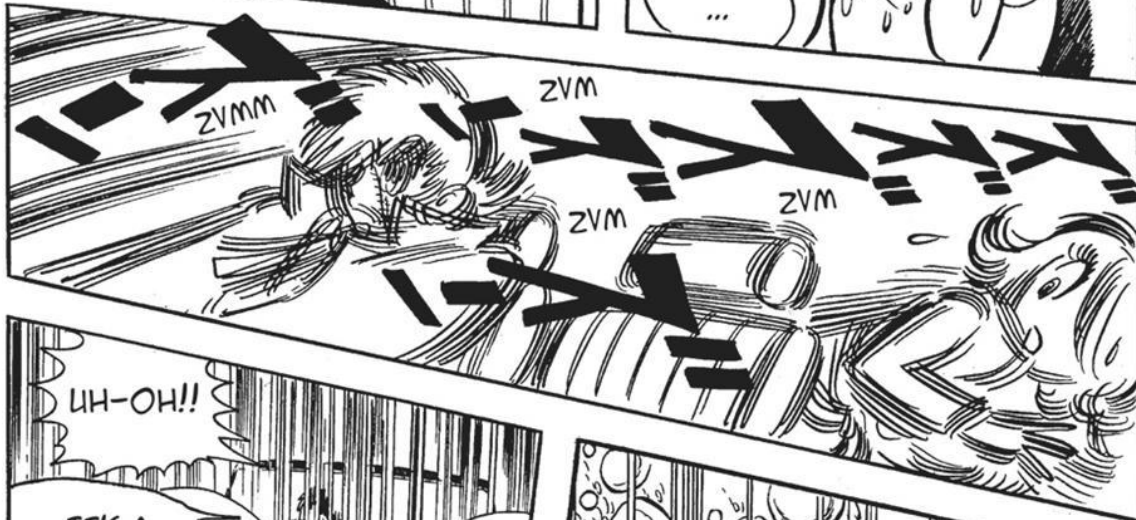




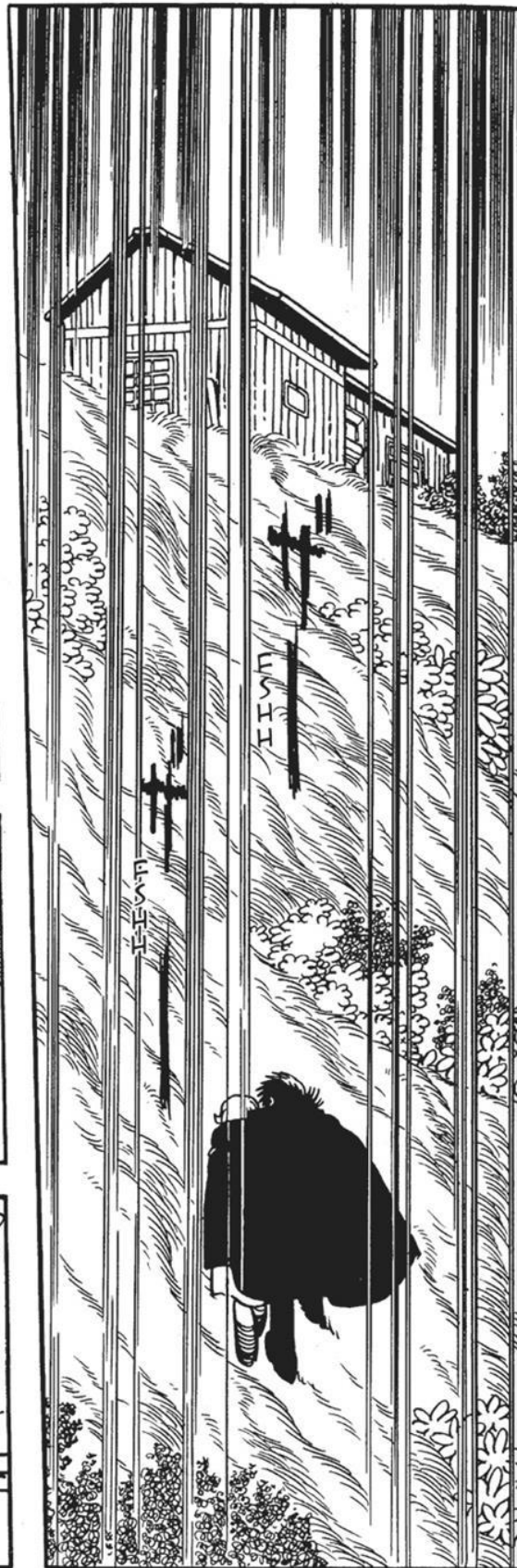


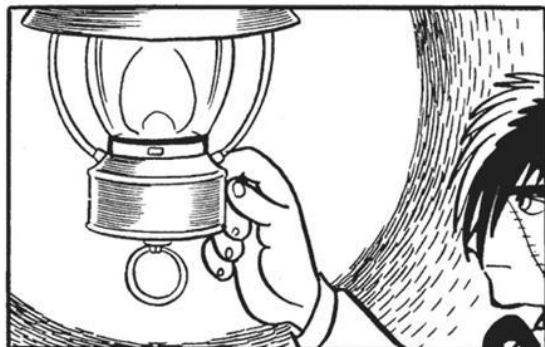
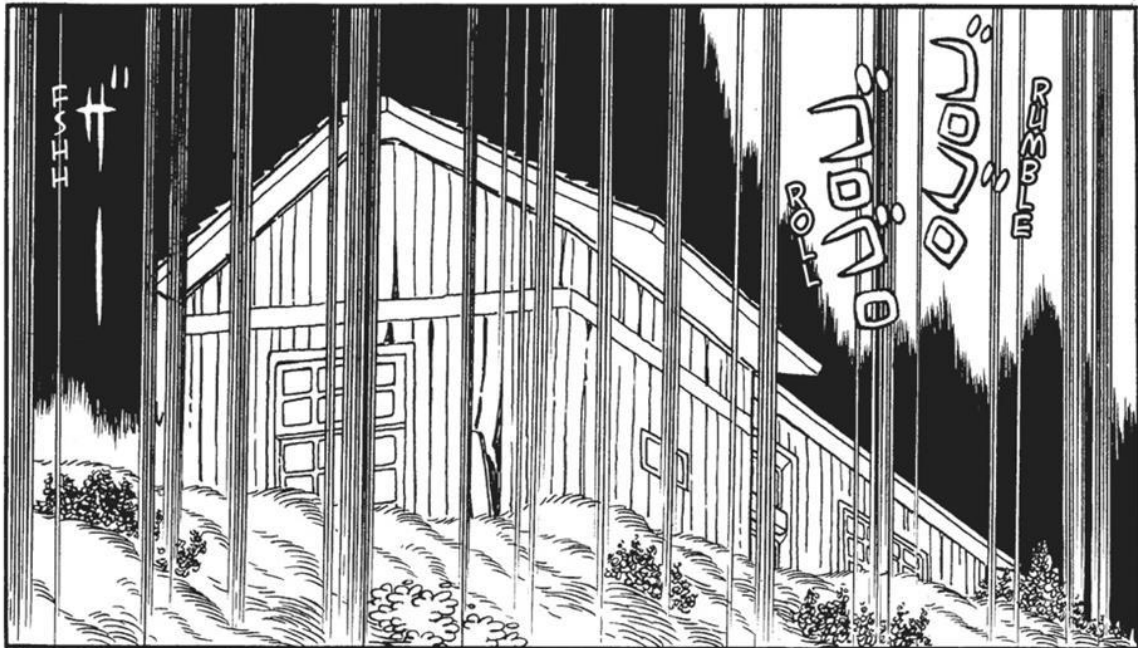
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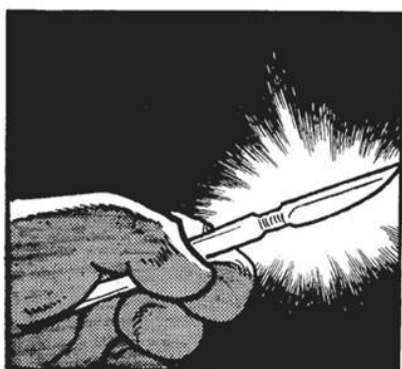
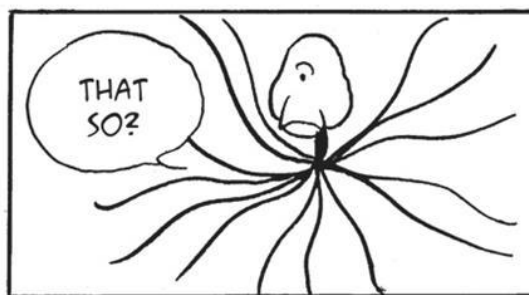


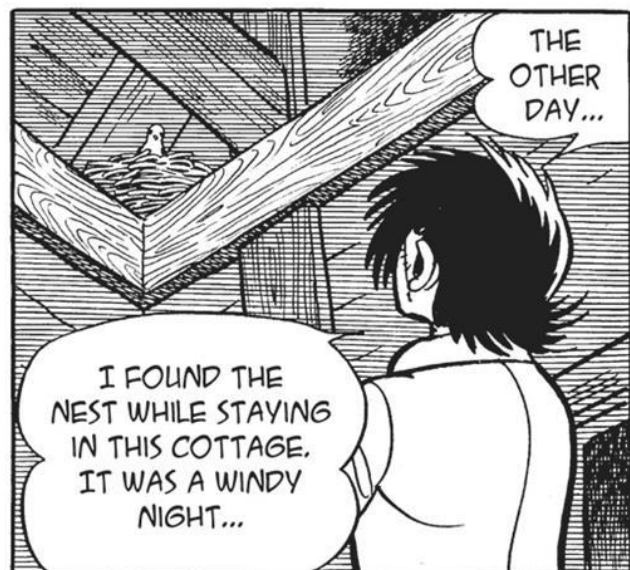
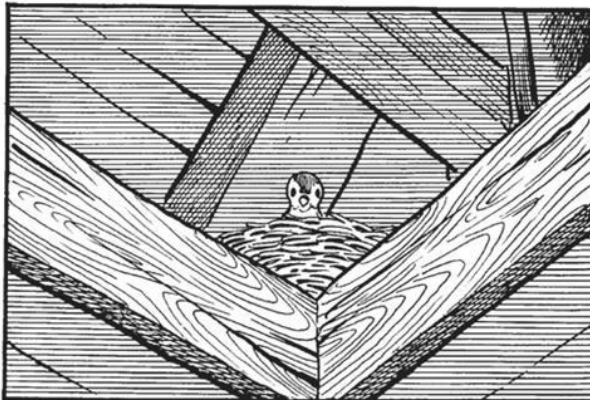


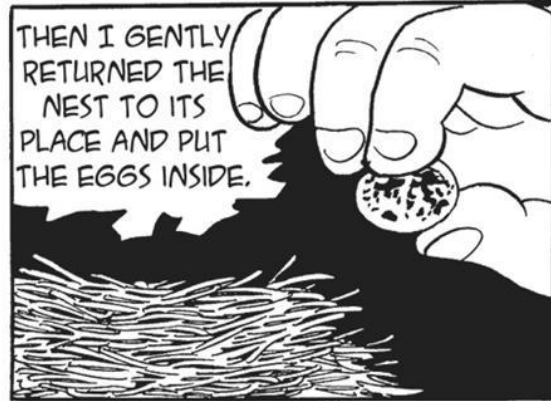
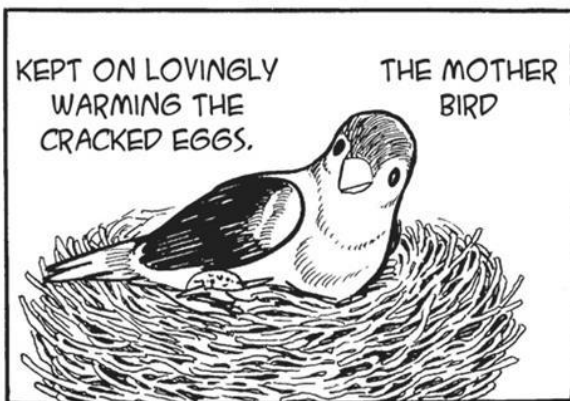
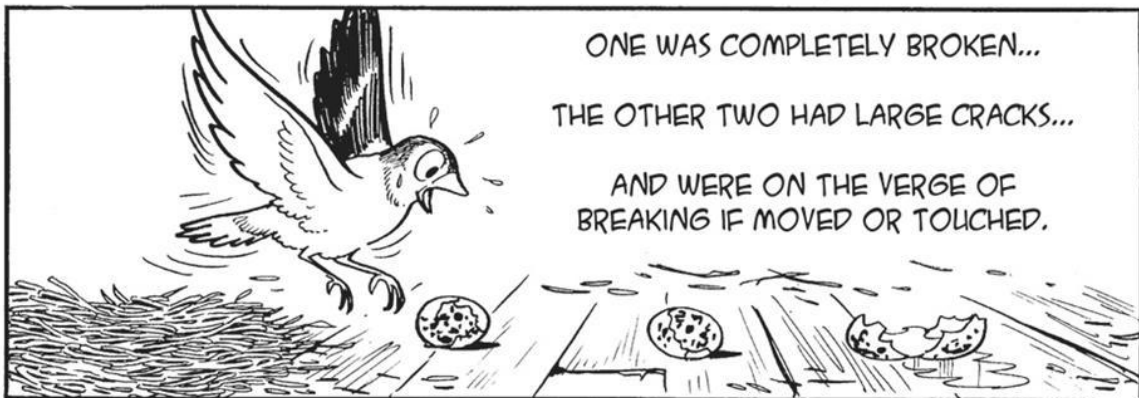


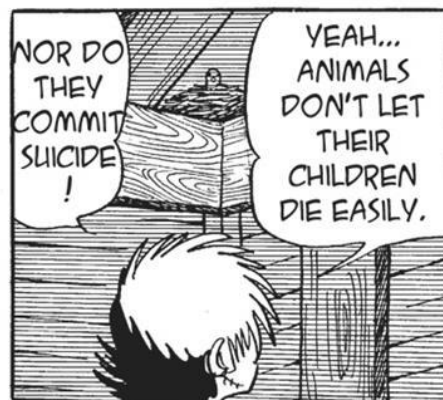
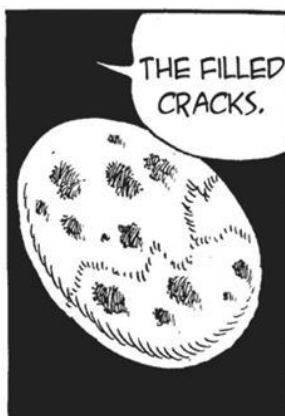


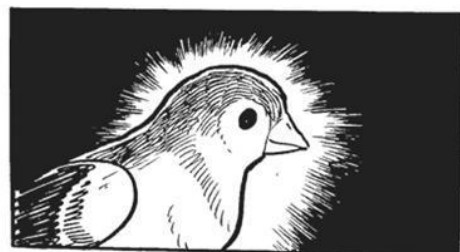


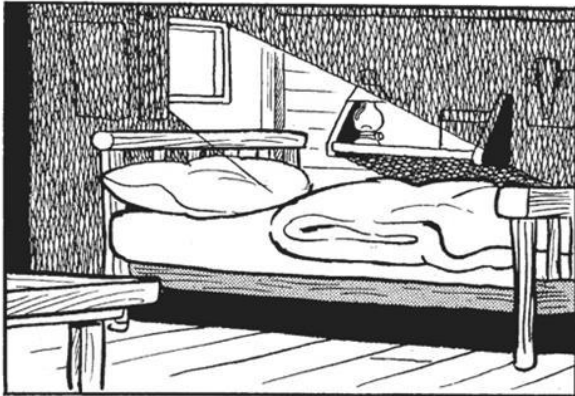


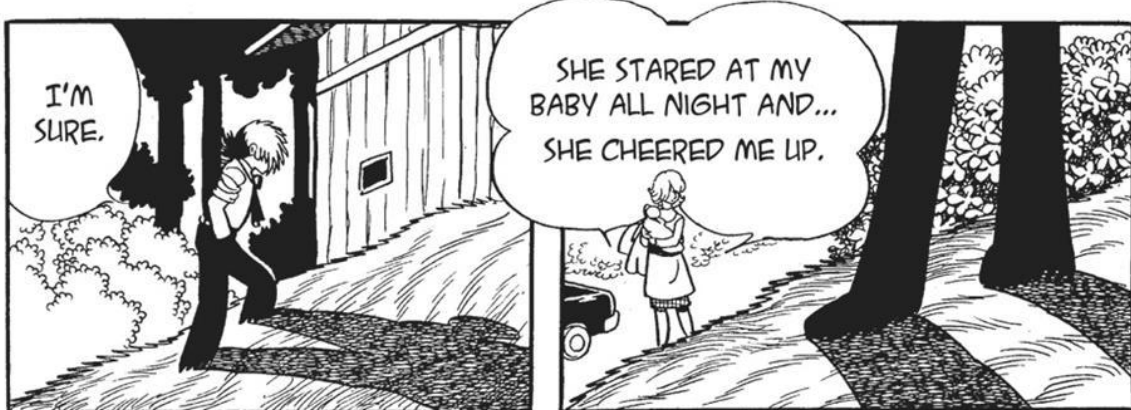
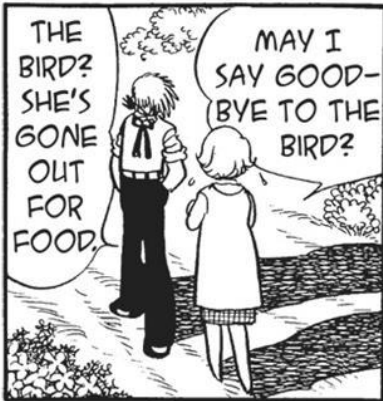
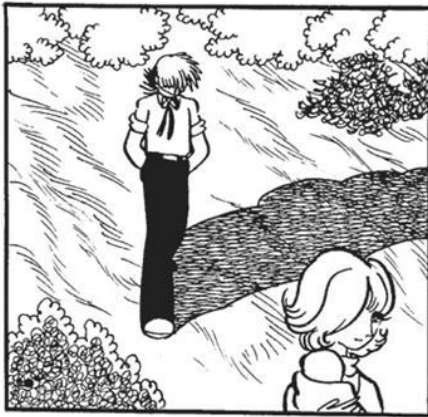


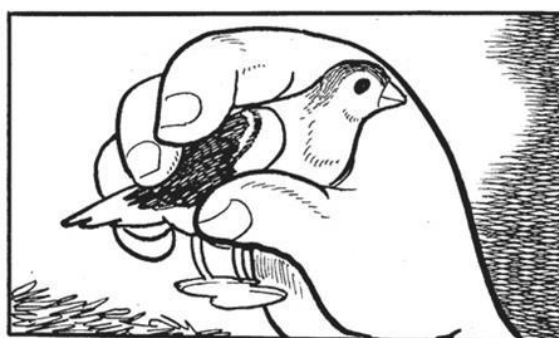
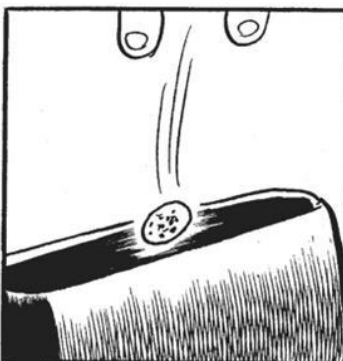










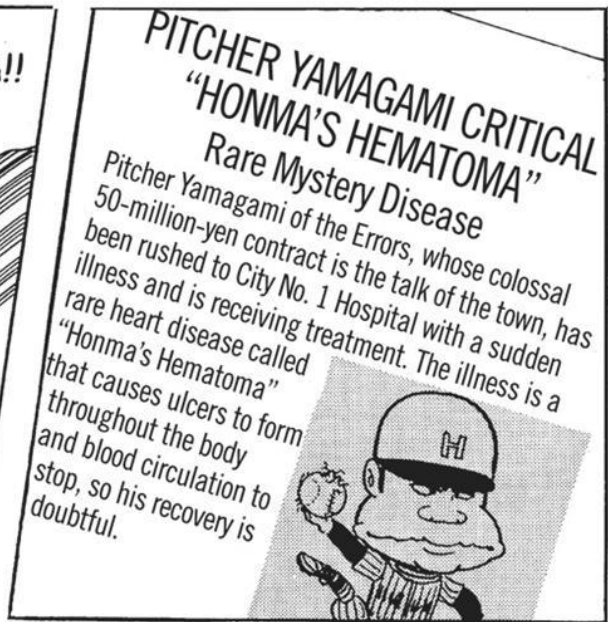


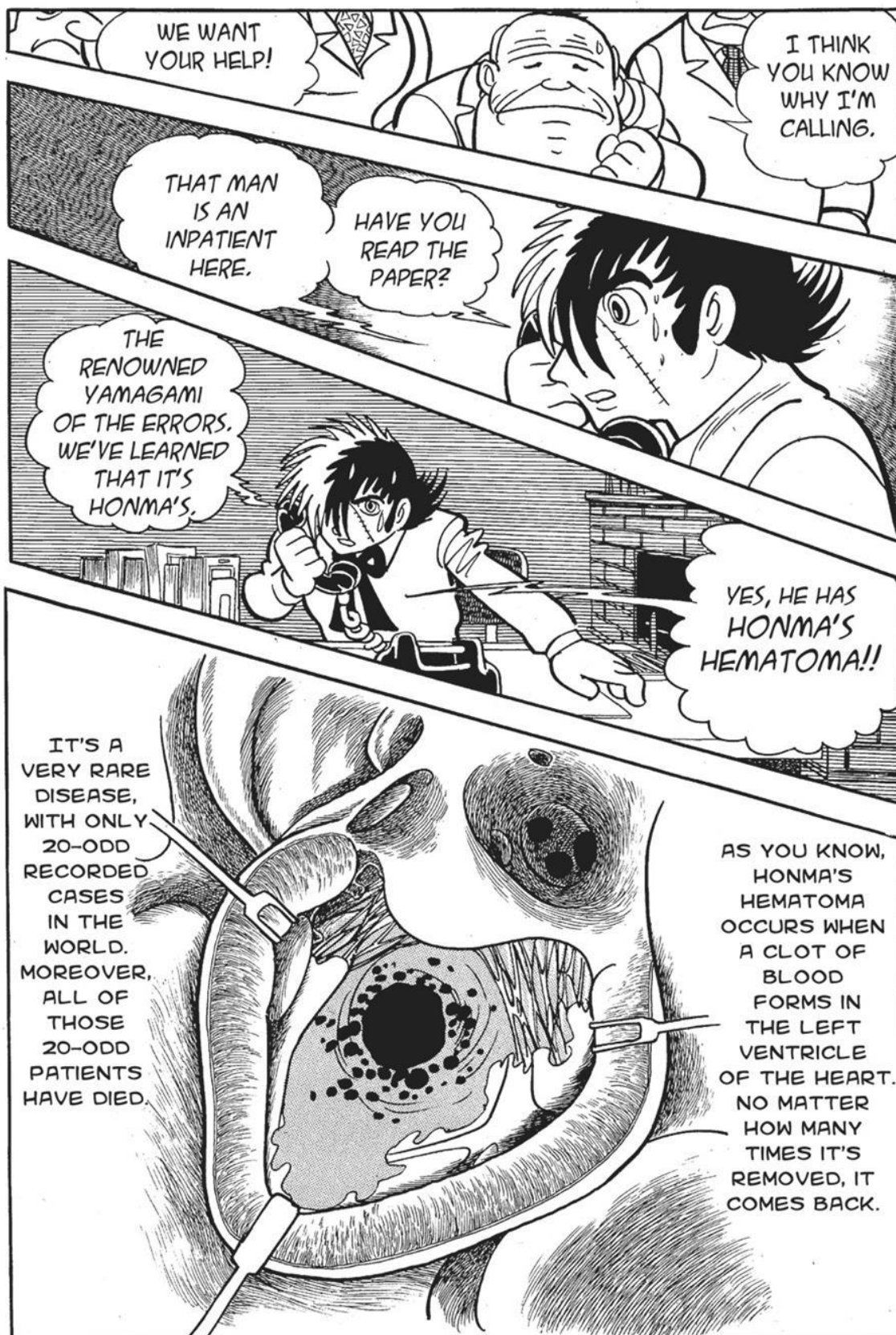
WELL... TALL
TALES AREN'T
ALWAYS BAD.

YOU'VE ALREADY
HELPED ME TALK
THREE PEOPLE
OUT OF KILLING
THEMSELVES.

HONMA'S HEMATOMA

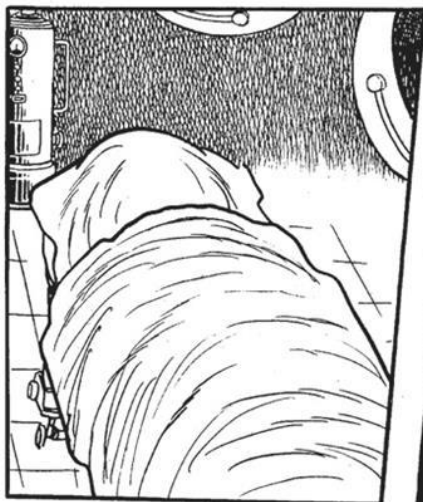








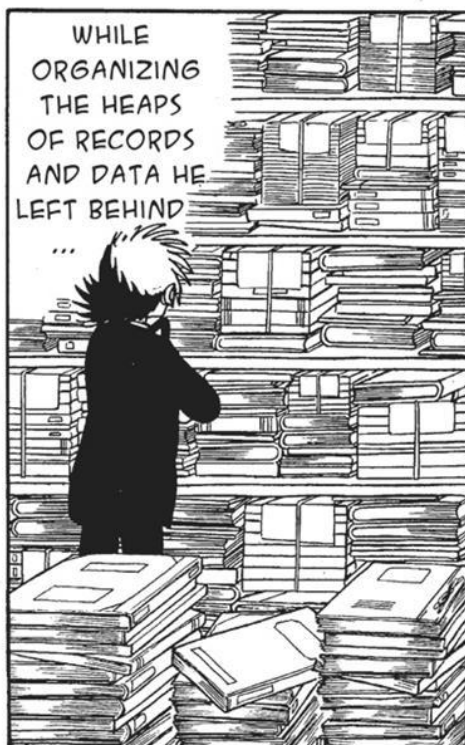




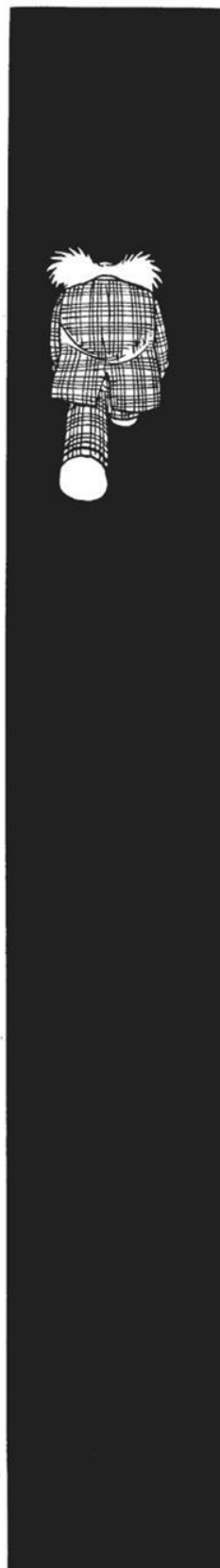




DOCTOR HONMA
PASSED AWAY,
HAVING
RETIRED, AND
UNREDEEMED.



WHILE
ORGANIZING
THE HEAPS
OF RECORDS
AND DATA HE
LEFT BEHIND
...



WOULDN'T ANY ATTEMPT
TO CURE A NEW AND
UNKNOWN DISEASE
BE AN "EXPERIMENT"
ACCORDING TO
YOUR
LOGIC?



ONE MORE
QUESTION.
WERE YOU
CONFIDENT
THAT THE
PATIENT
WOULD
RECOVER?



BUT...
I HAD
TO DO
SOME-
THING.

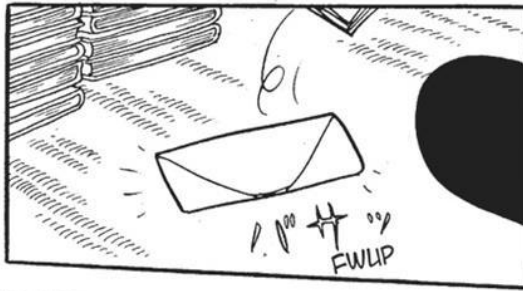
NOT
AT
ALL!!

IT WAS CLEAR
THAT THE
PATIENT
WOULD DIE.

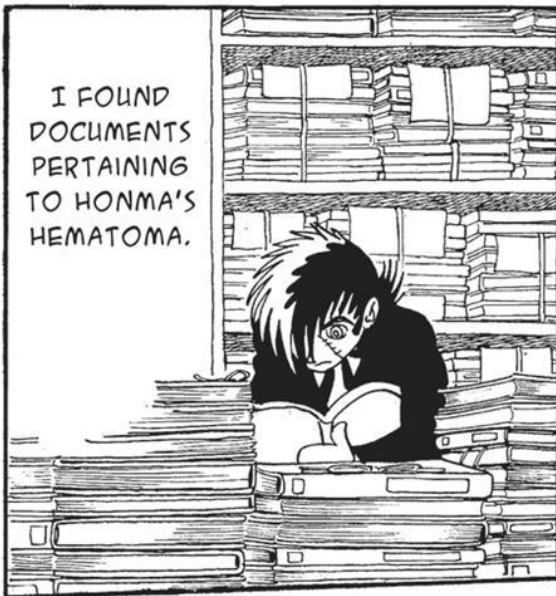


ANYHOW,
I ACCEPT
RESPONSIBILITY.

I'M
PREPARED
TO RESIGN!



I FOUND
DOCUMENTS
PERTAINING
TO HONMA'S
HEMATOMA.



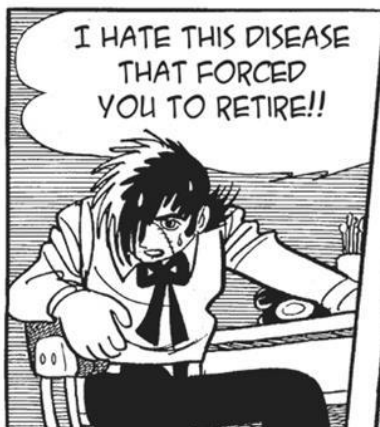
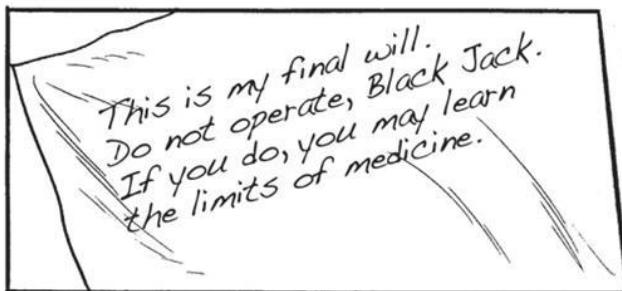
Black Jack,
I bequeath these
records to you. I hope that
you will use them to solve
the mystery of Honma's
Hematoma. With your ability,
I have absolute faith that
you can do it.

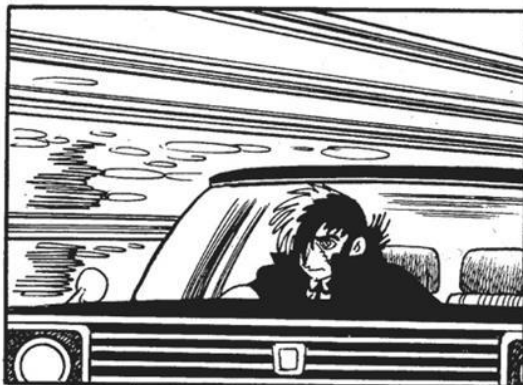
However,
I have one
piece of advice
for you.

Until you've
cleared up the
mystery of
this illness,
never operate
on a patient
who has it.



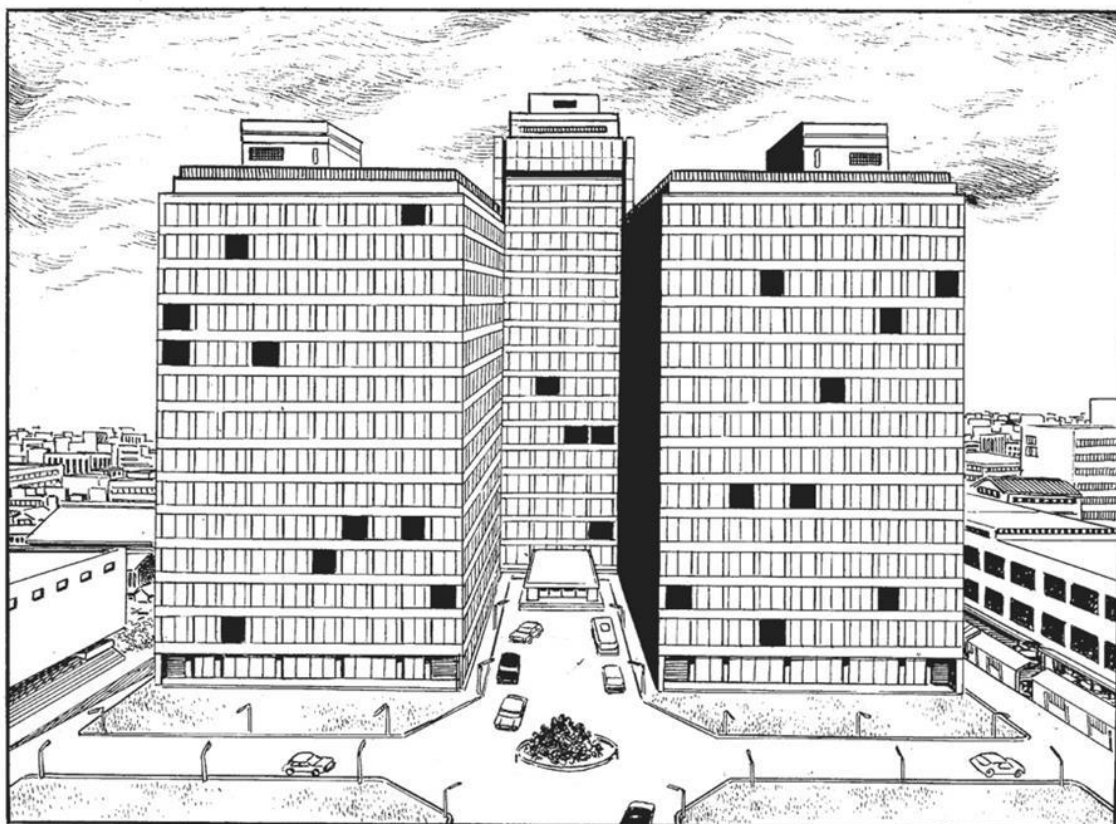
This is an
extremely
rare illness.
I don't know
whether you'll
have a chance to
encounter it.
But with
more data,
you're sure
to discover
its true
nature.

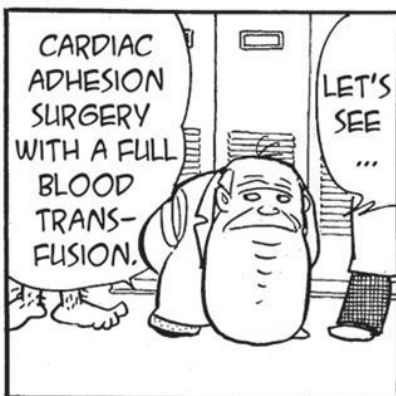
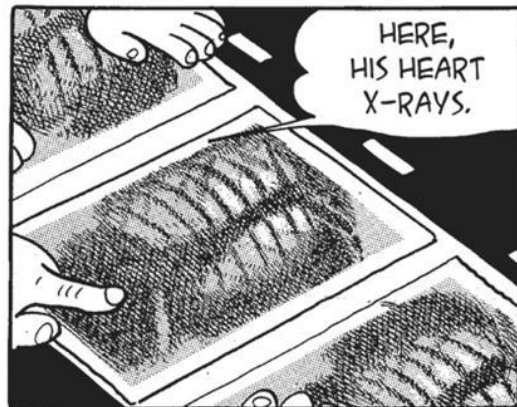




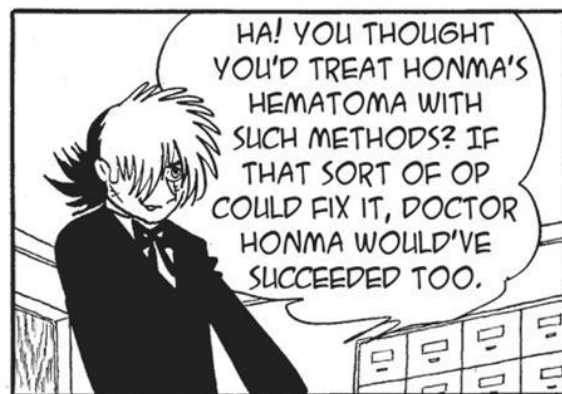
DOCTOR, WHERE'RE YOU GOING?

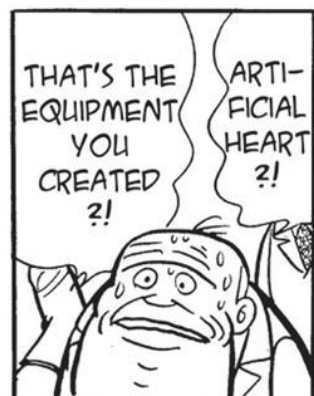
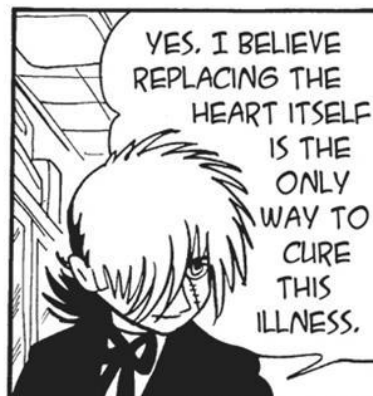
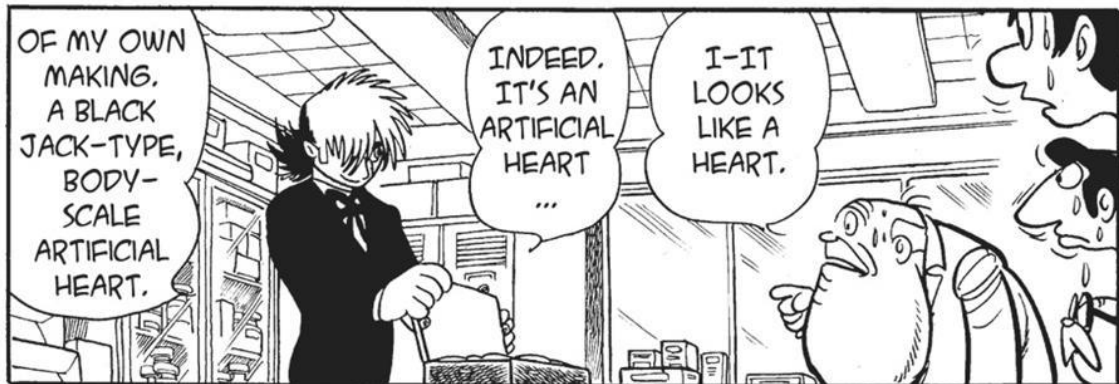
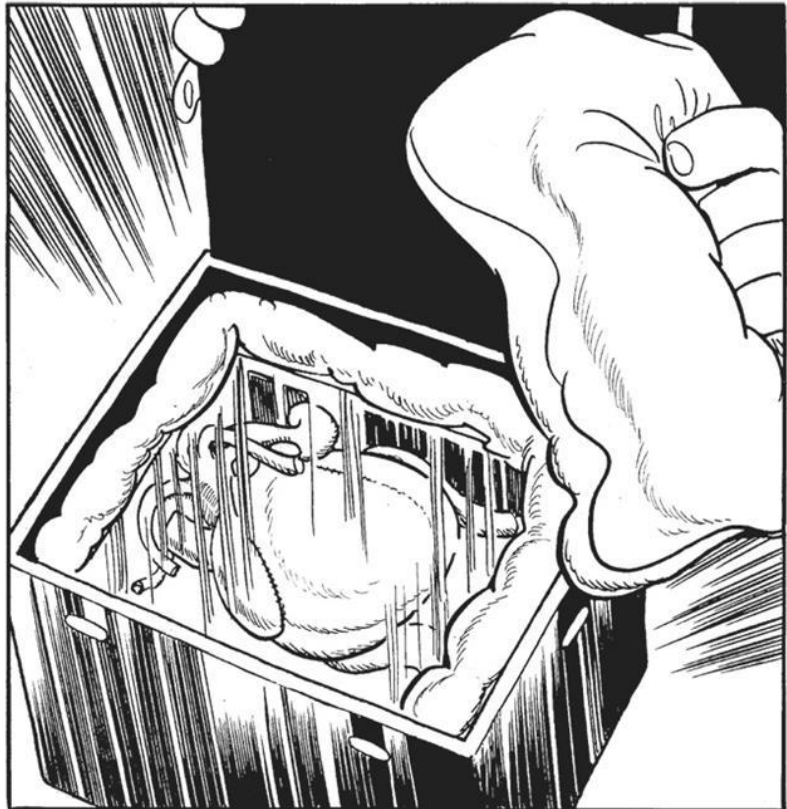


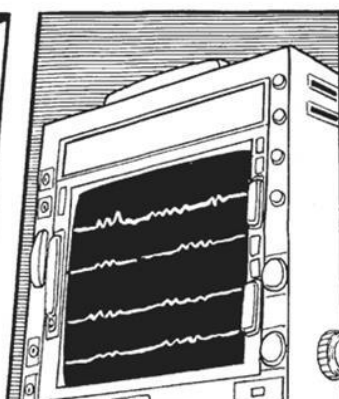
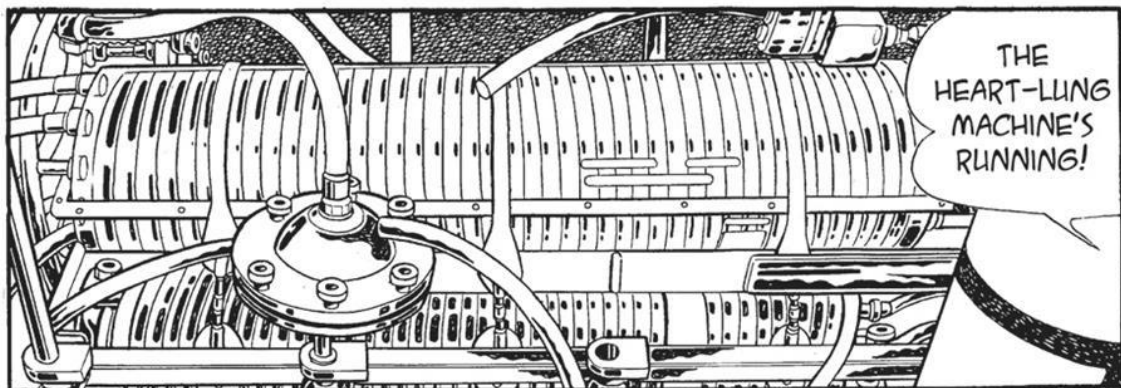


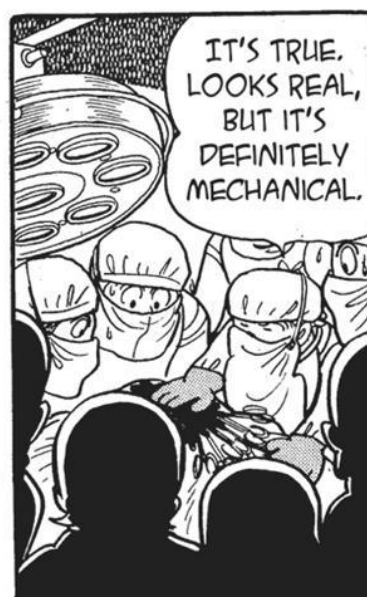
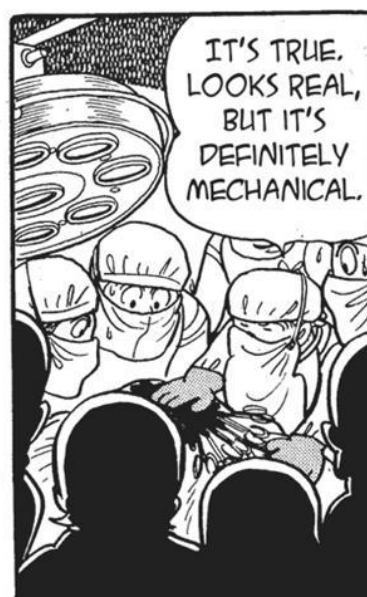
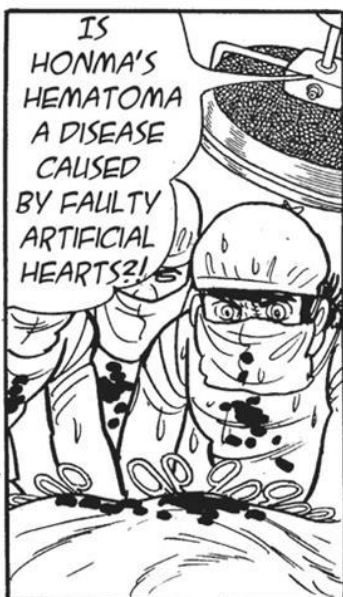
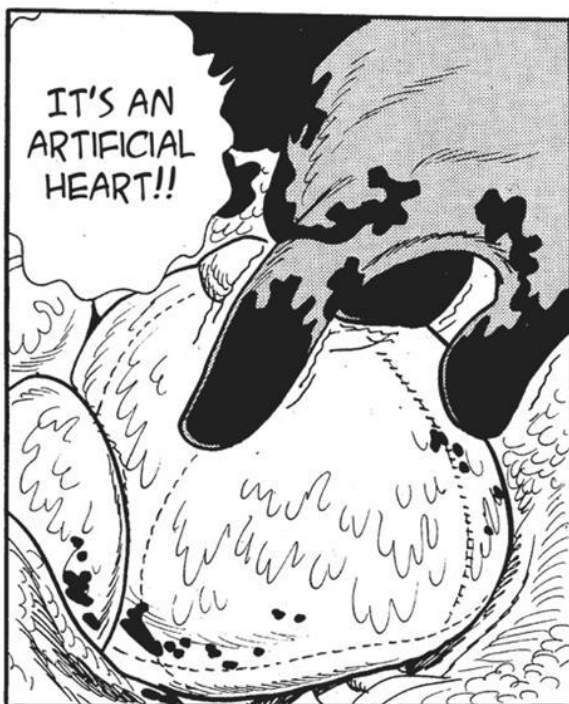


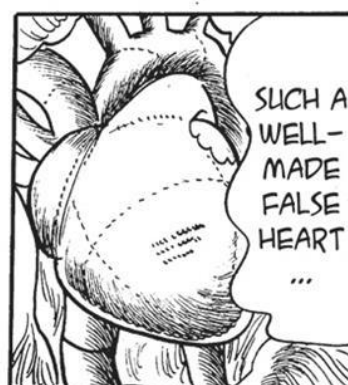
WE'RE
TOTALLY
PREPARED.
WE HEARD
YOU WEREN'T
COMING

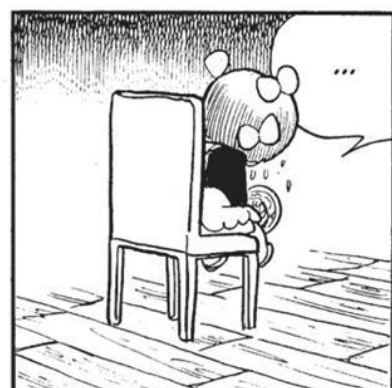




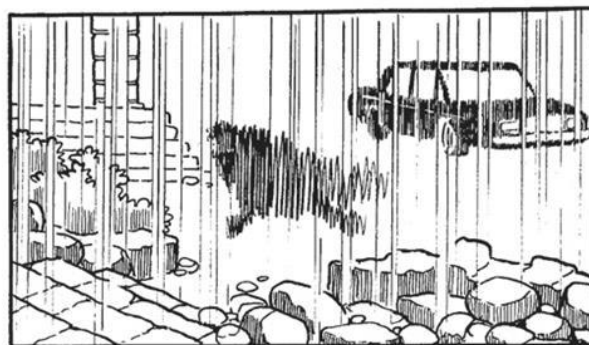
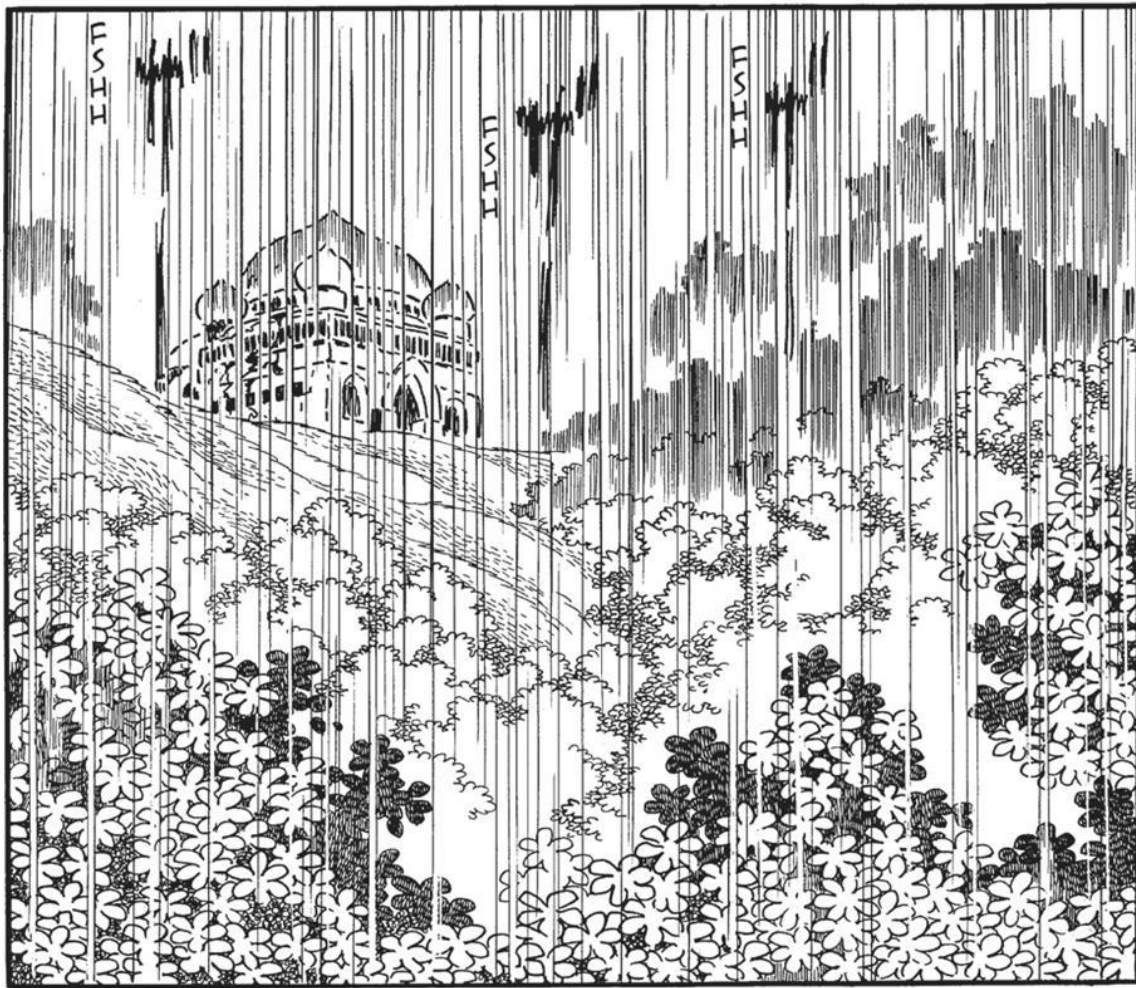


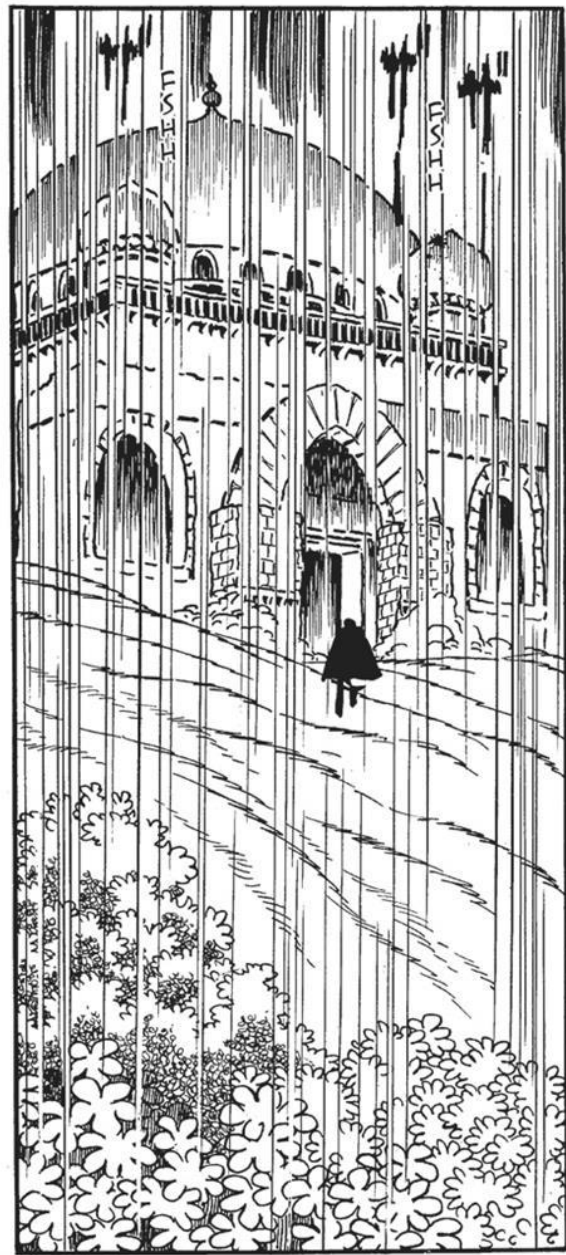
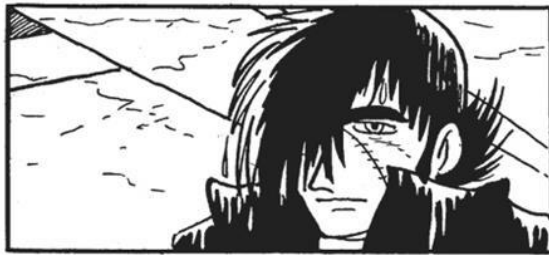


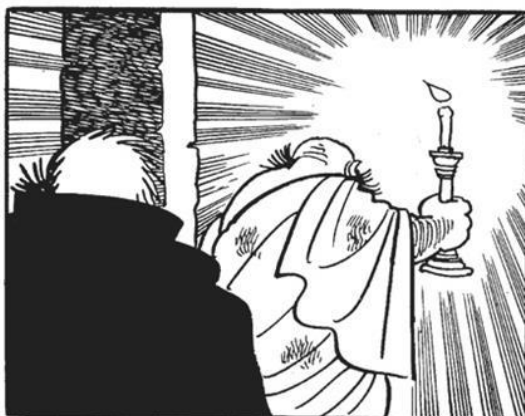


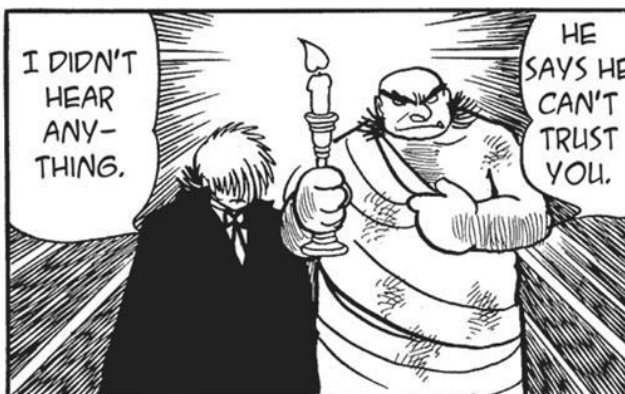


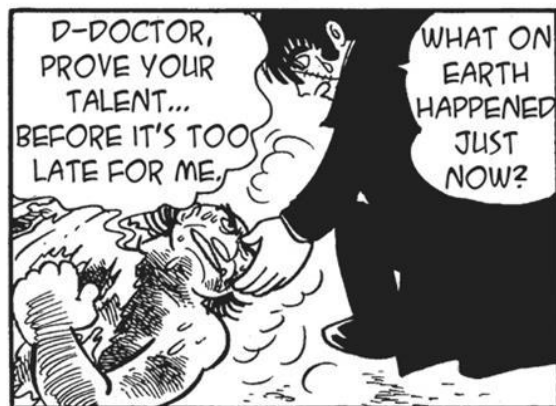
A CHALLENGE OF THE THIRD KIND

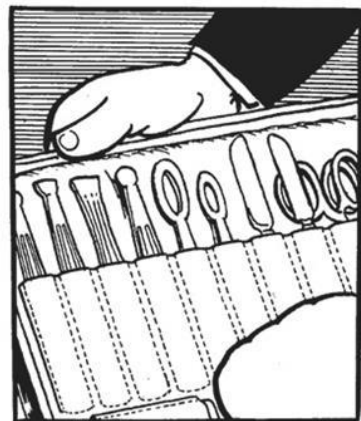
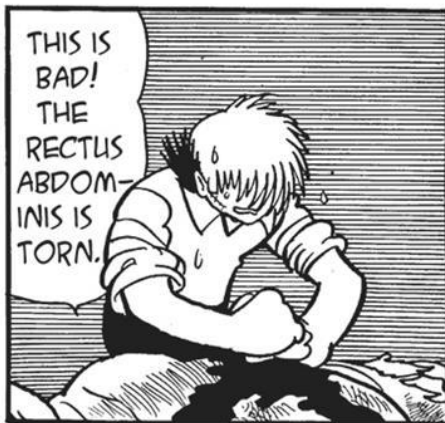








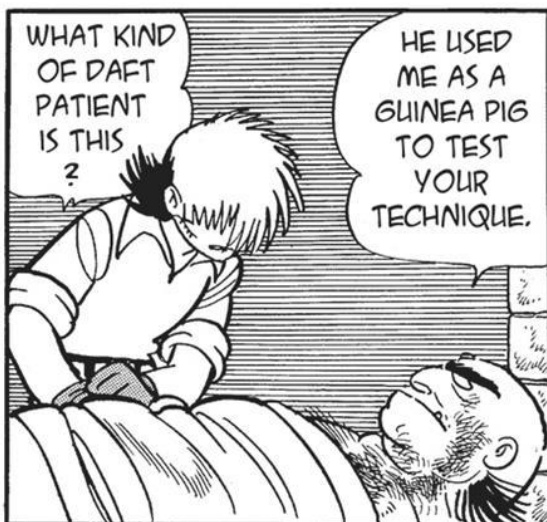
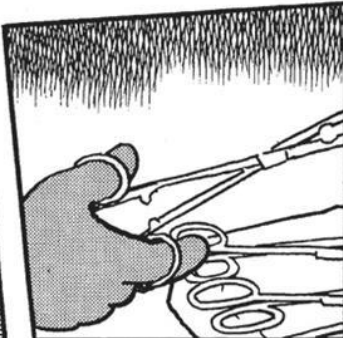




AH, TH...
THE PAIN
STOPPED.



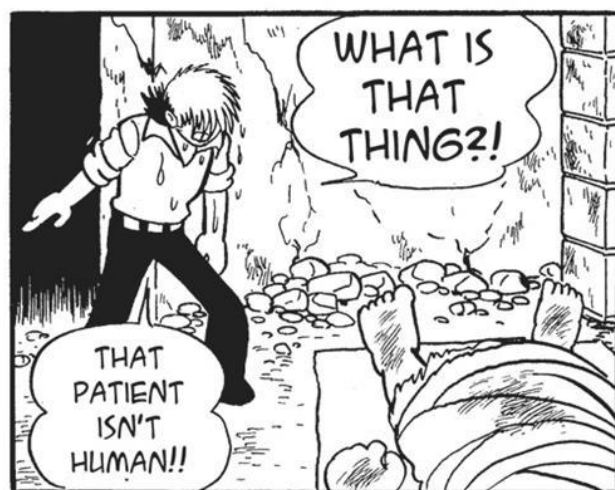
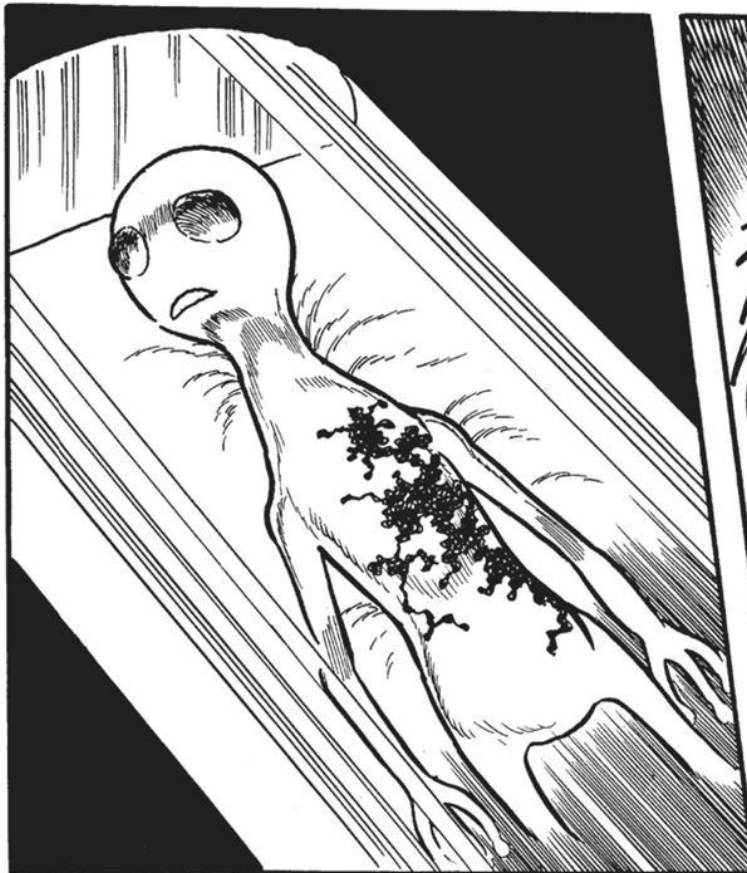
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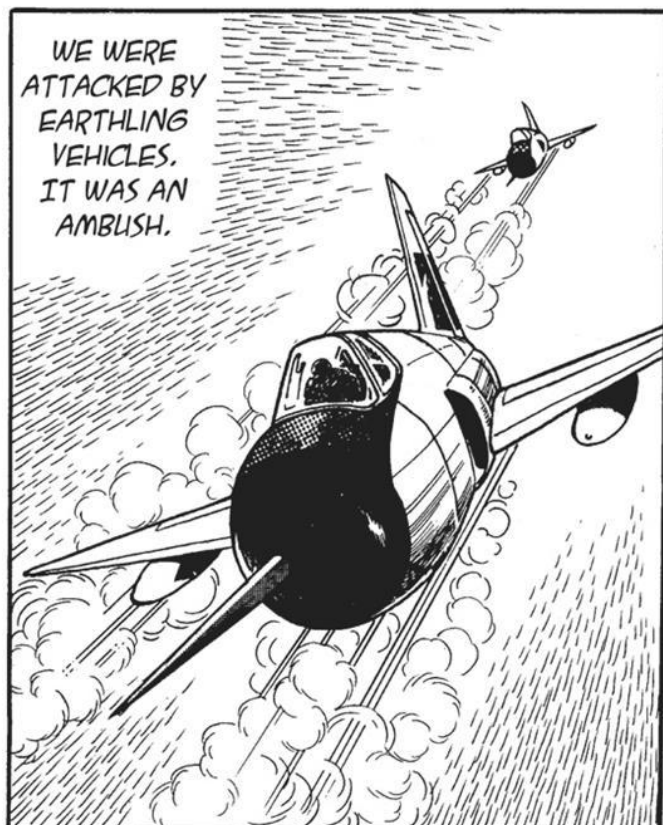
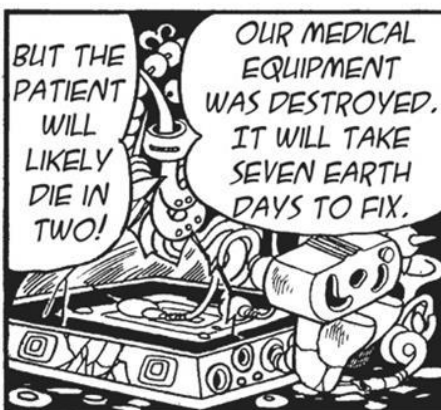
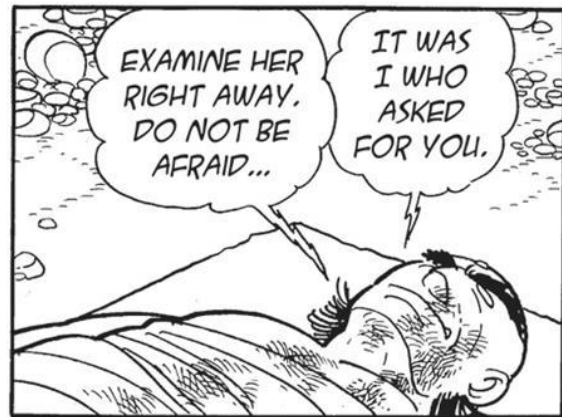


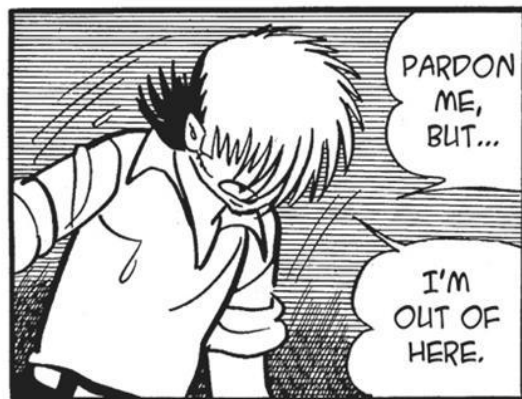
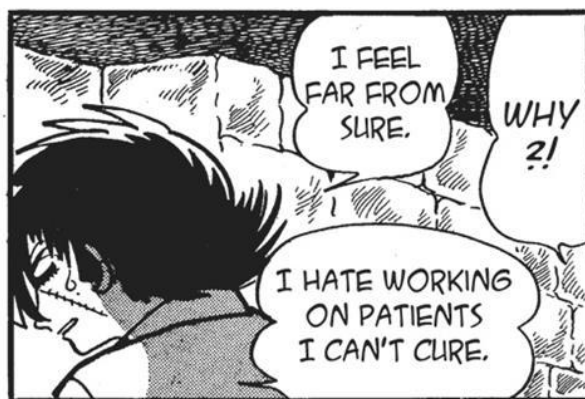
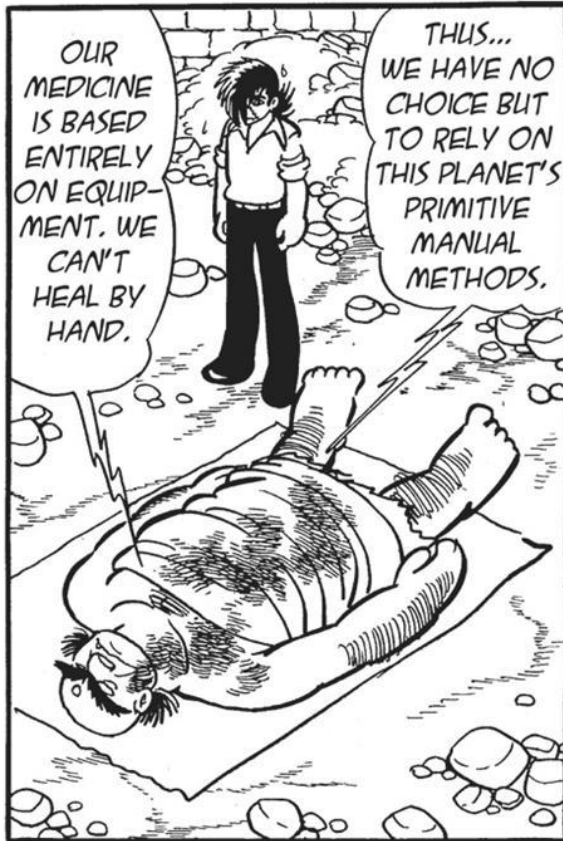
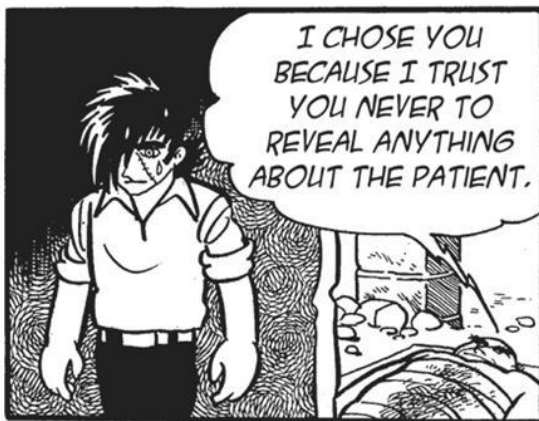
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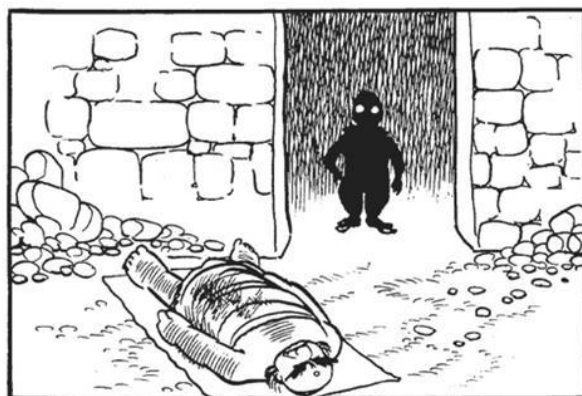
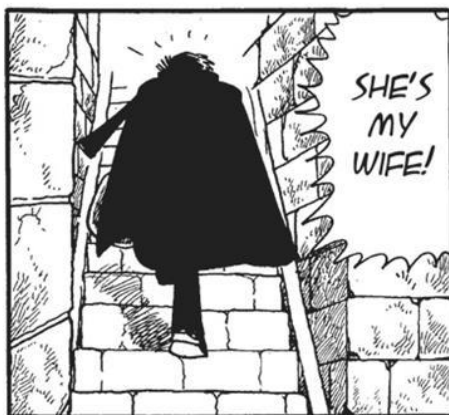
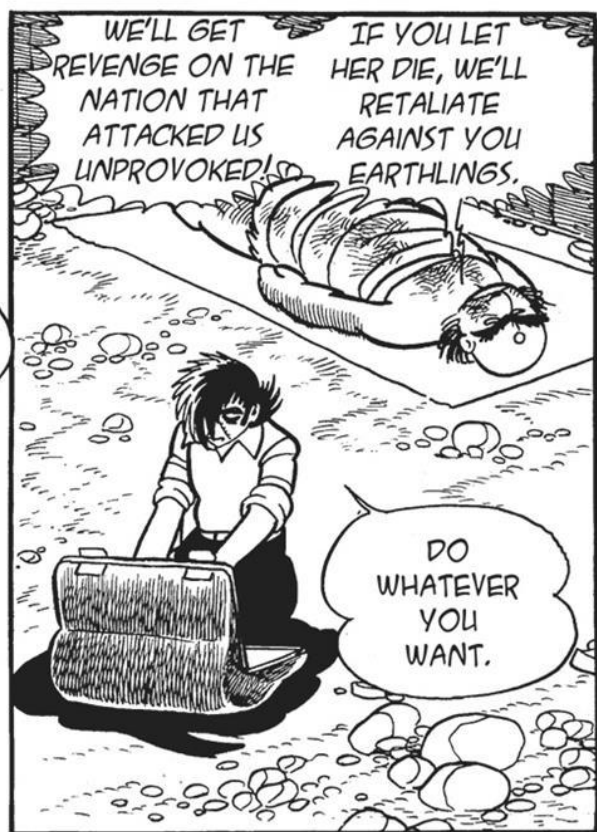
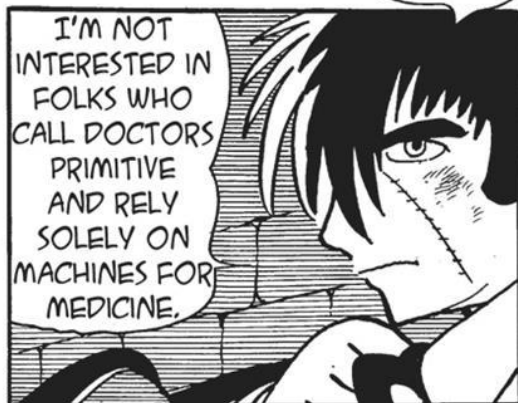
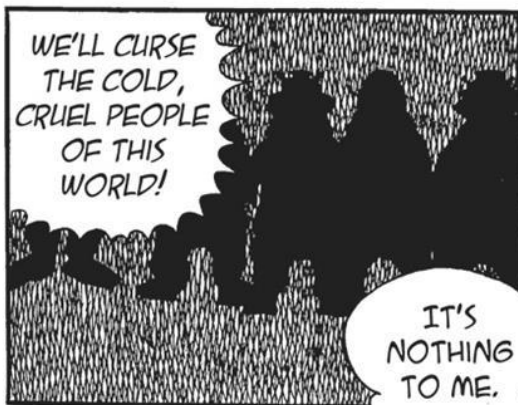


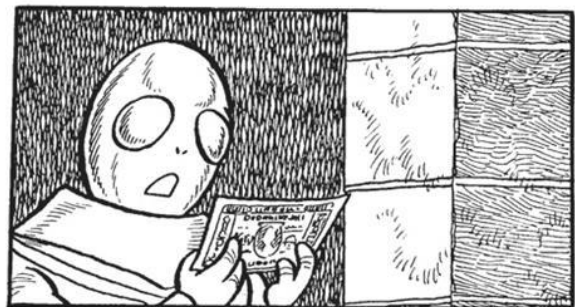
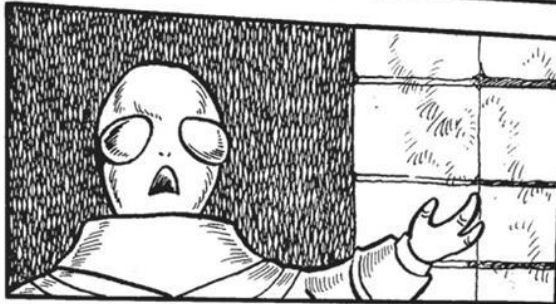
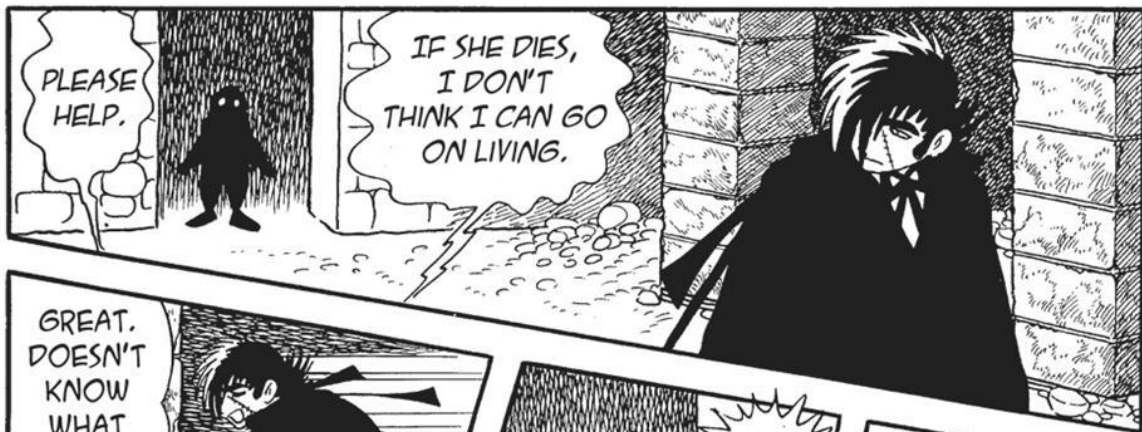
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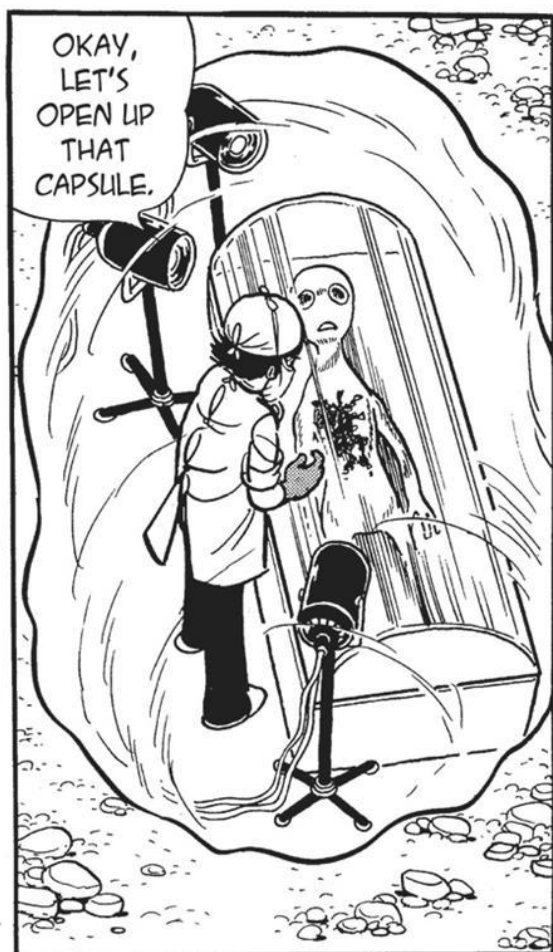
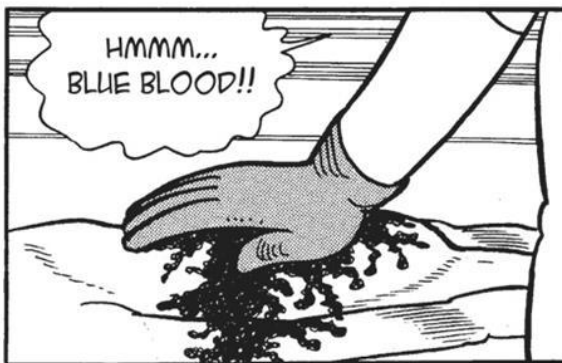
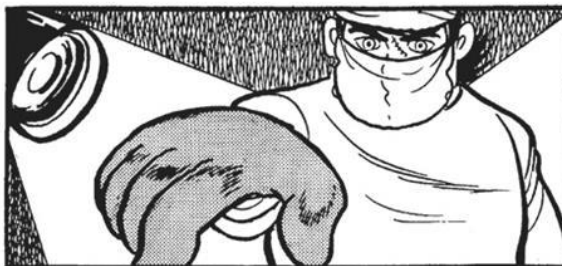


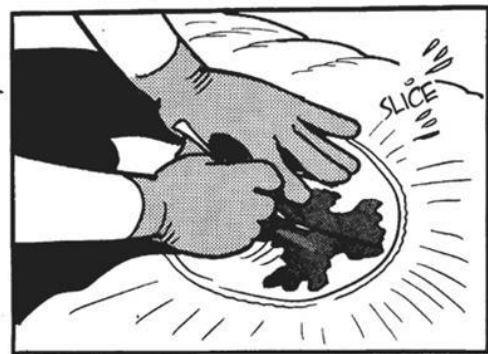
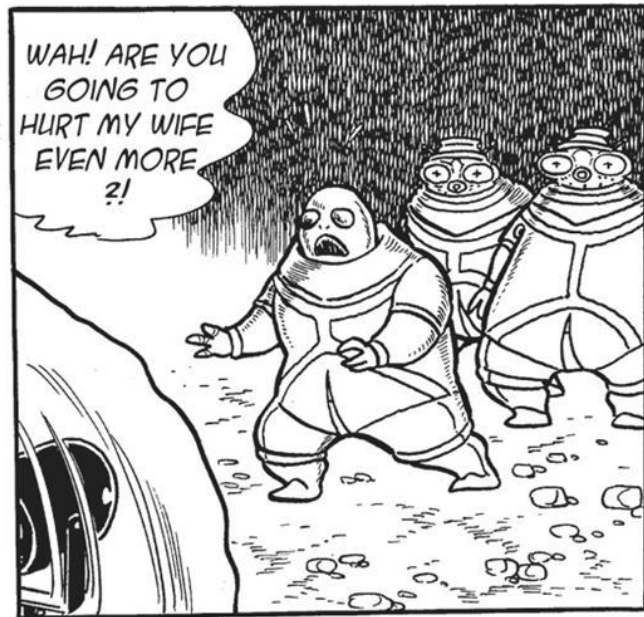
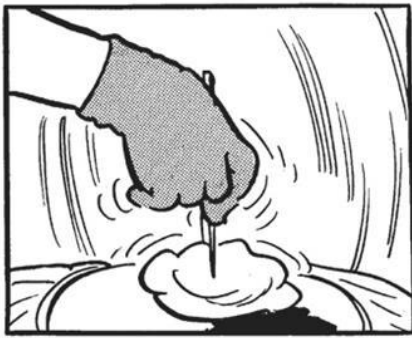


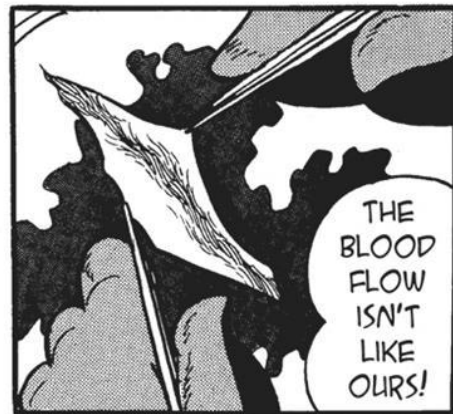
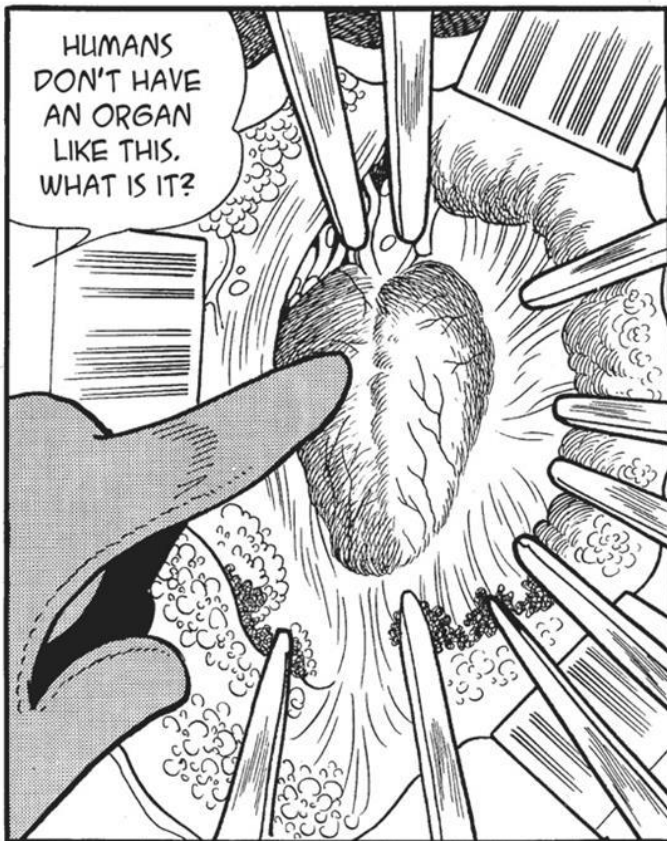


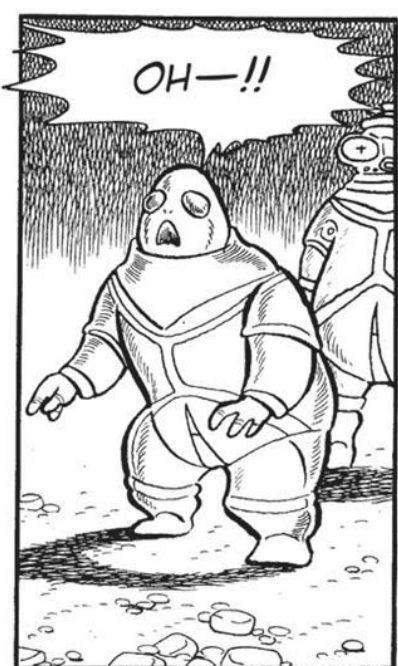
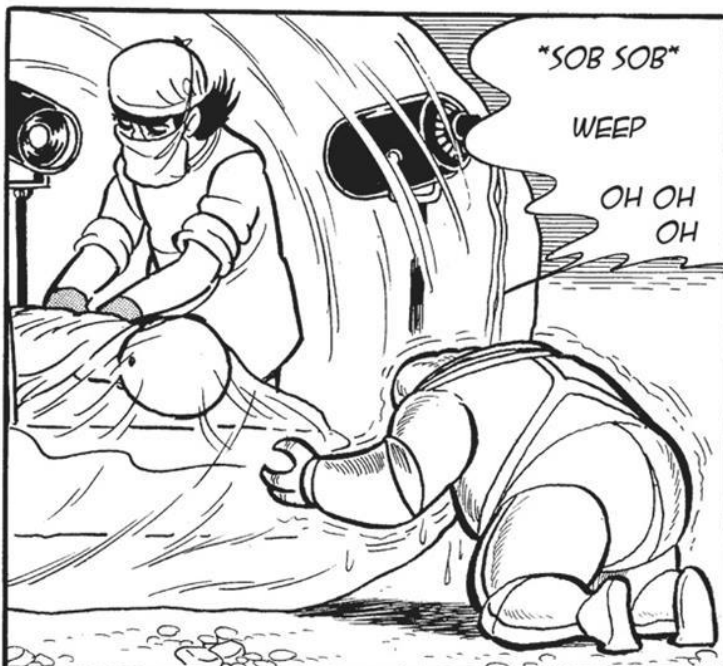
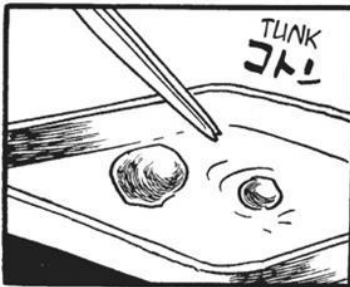
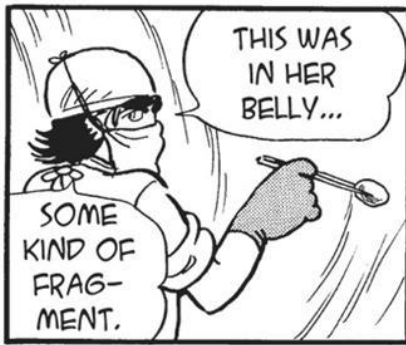


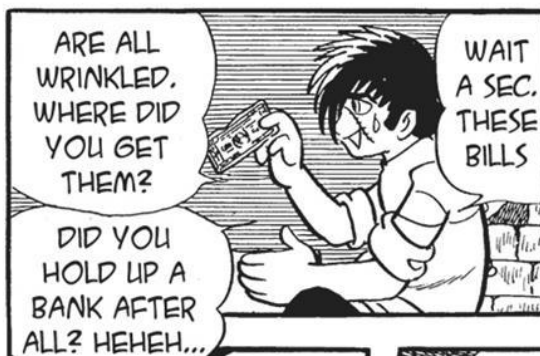
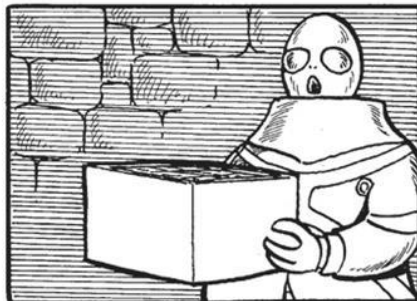
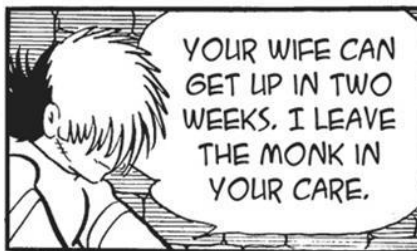


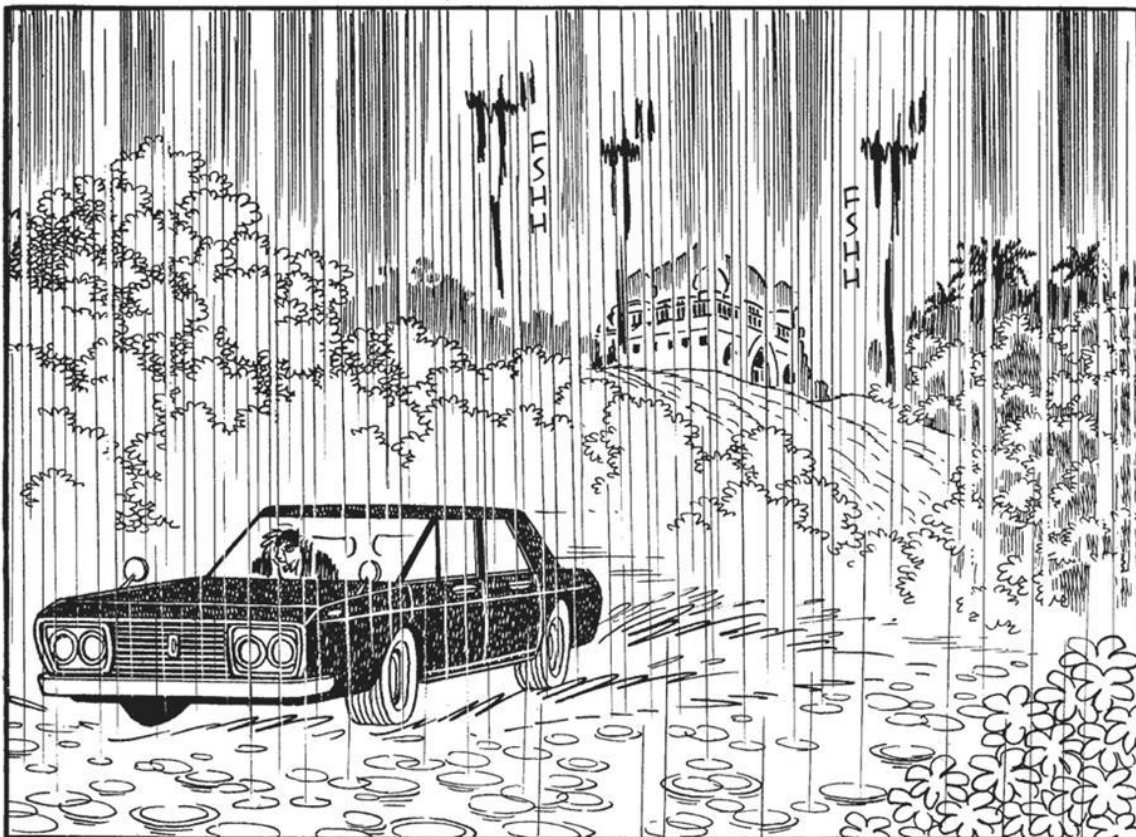
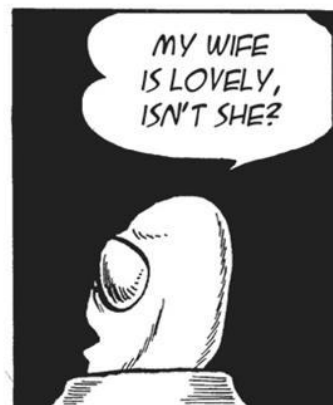
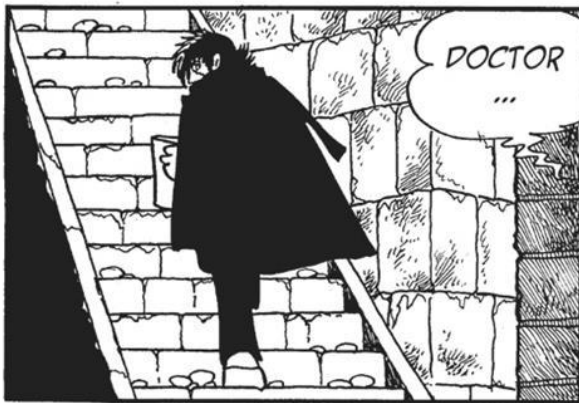


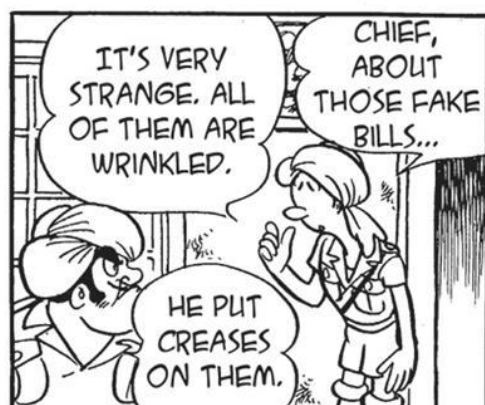
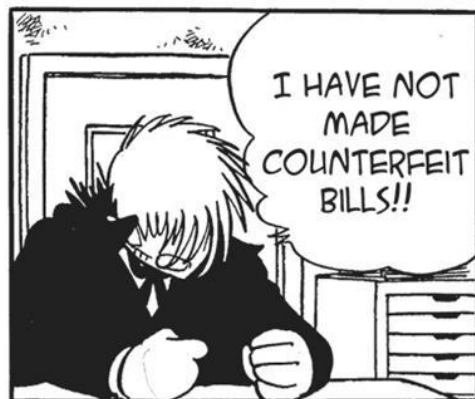
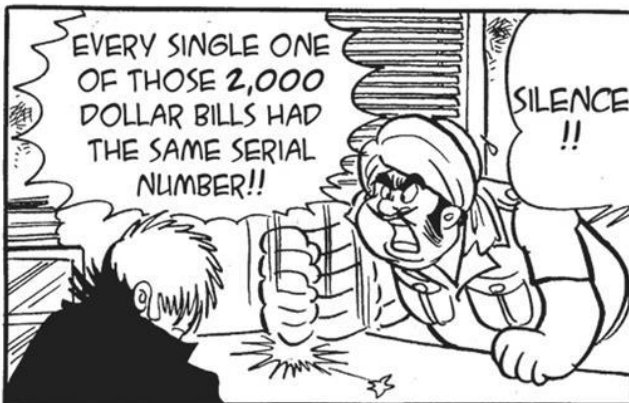
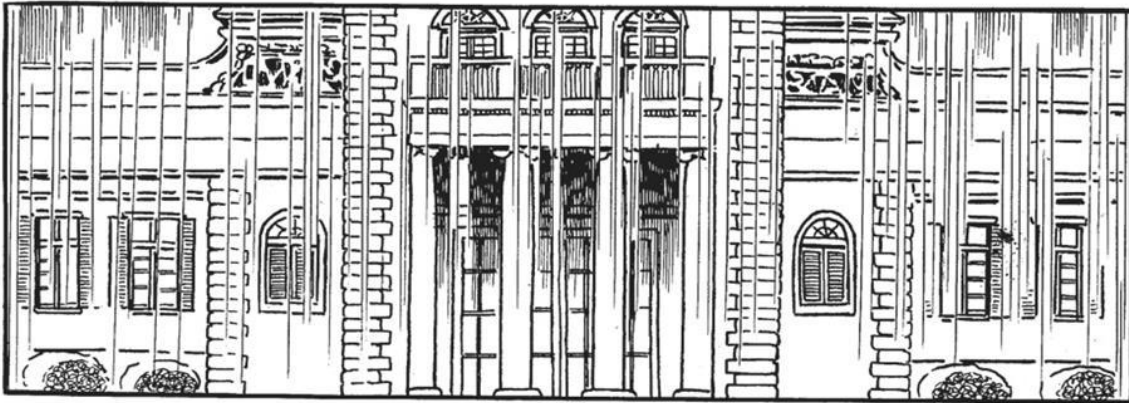


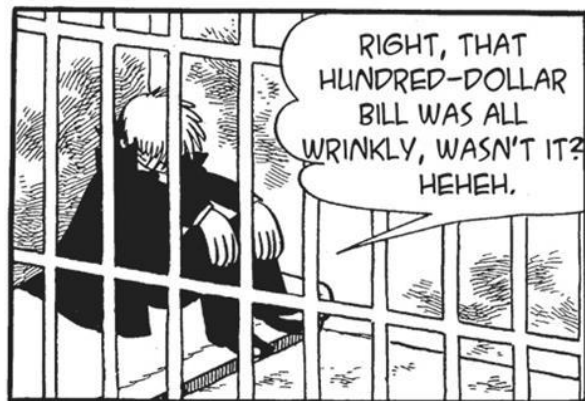




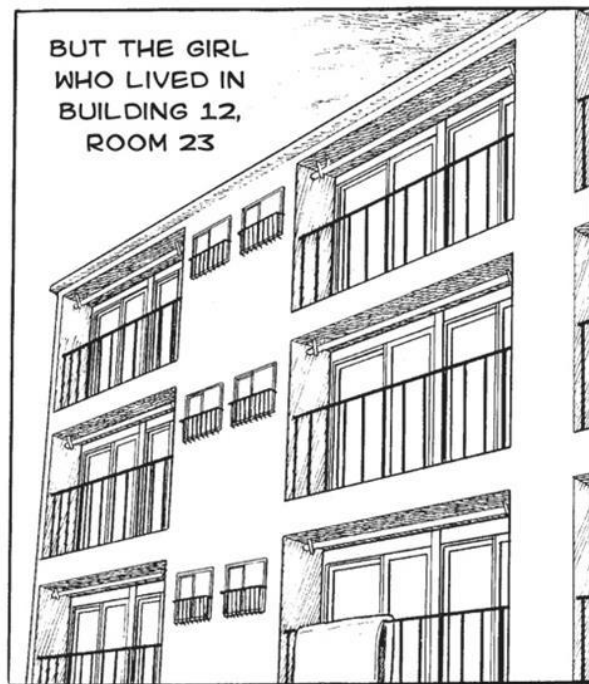
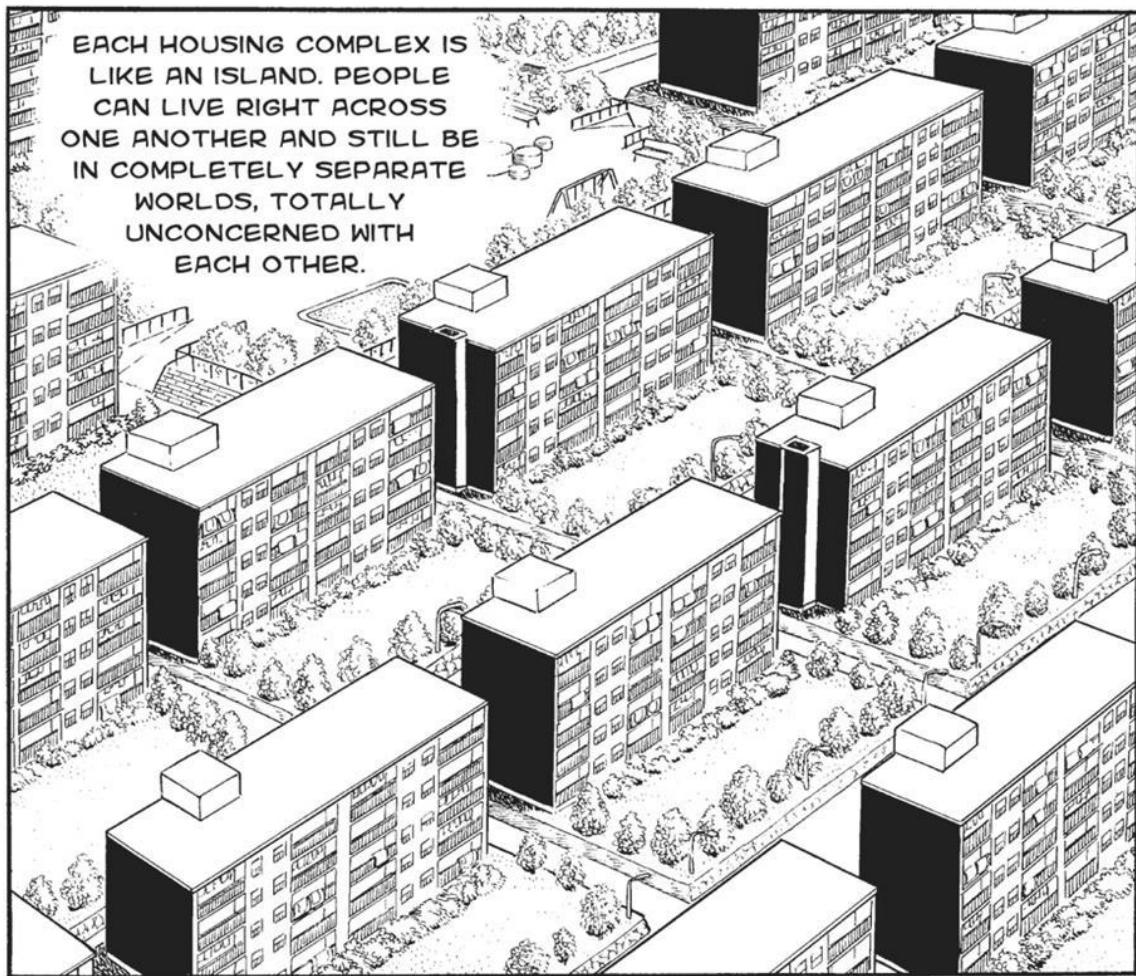


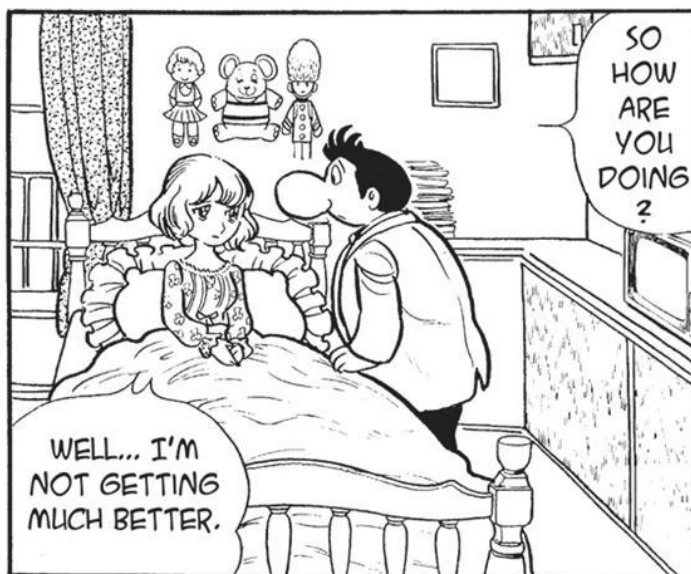


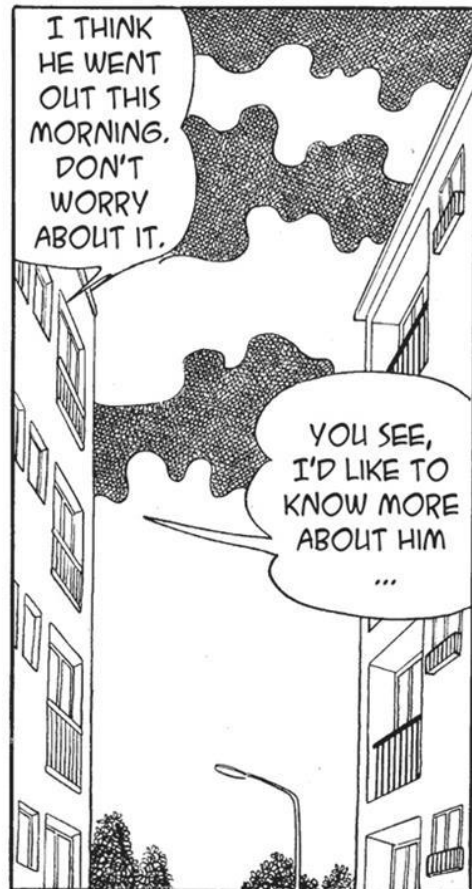
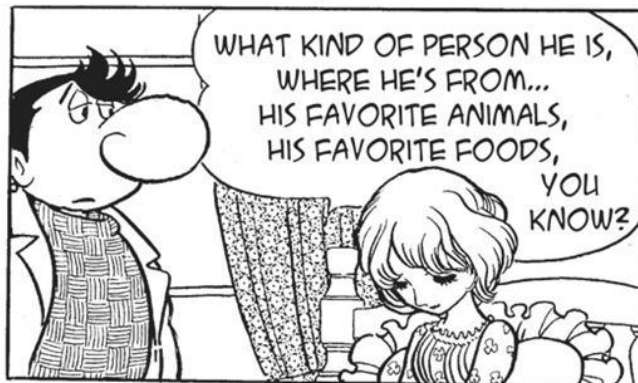
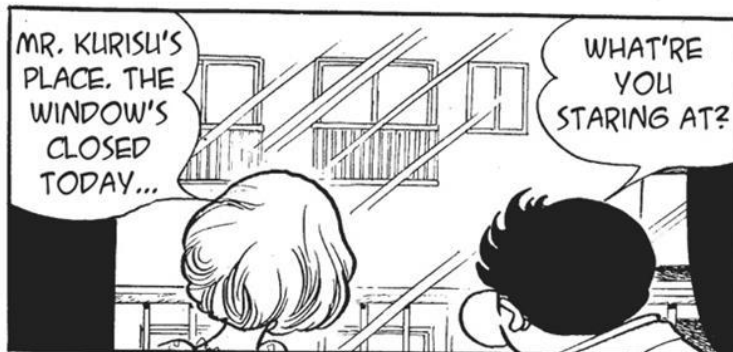
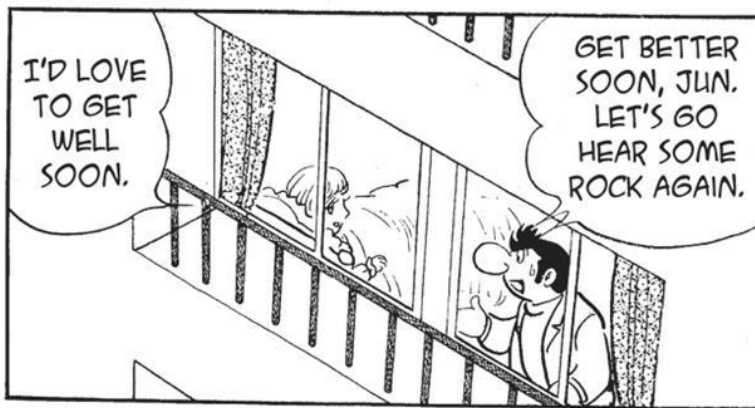




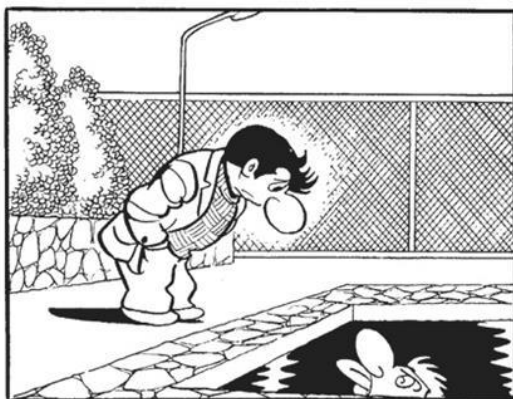
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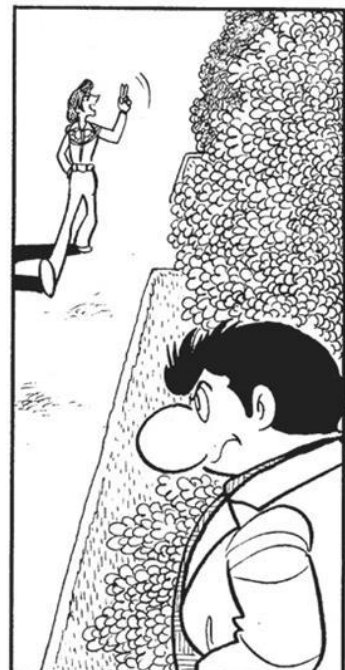
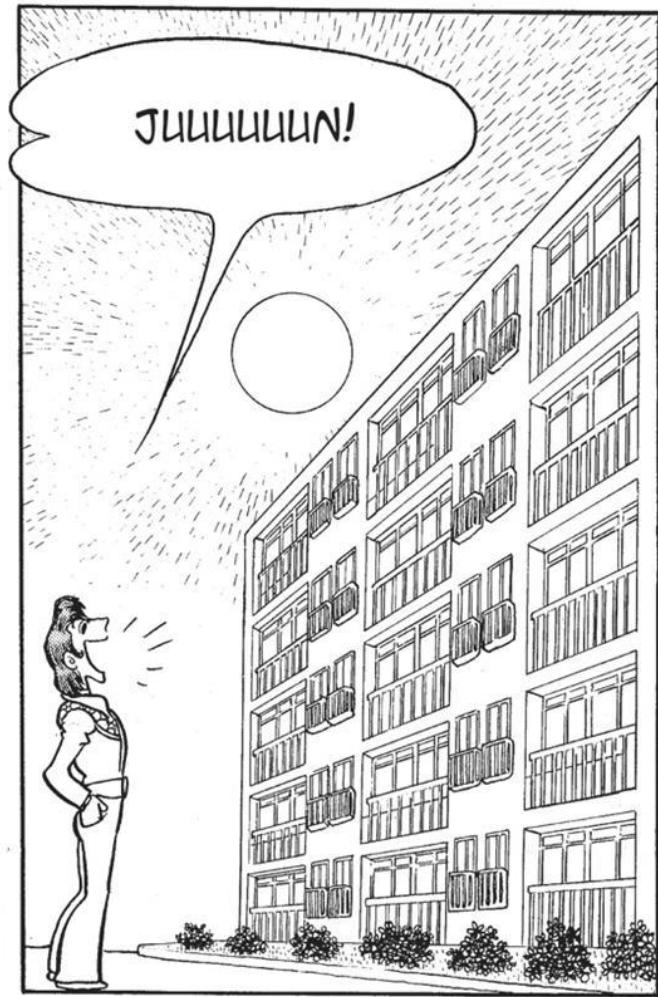
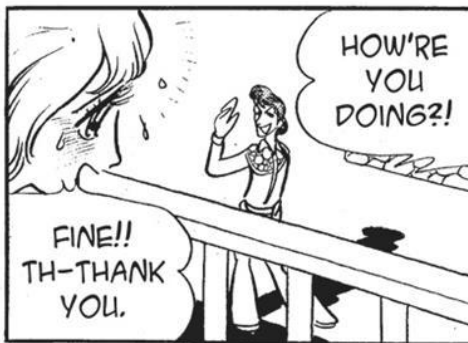


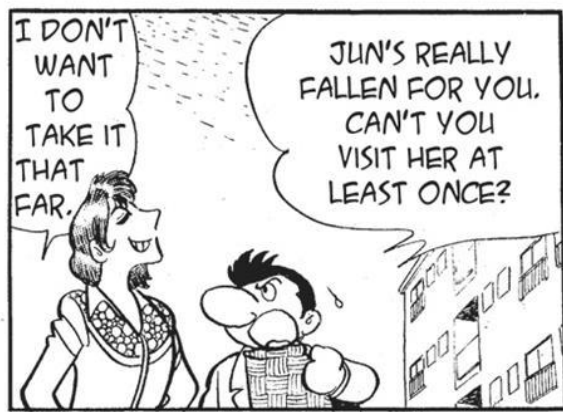


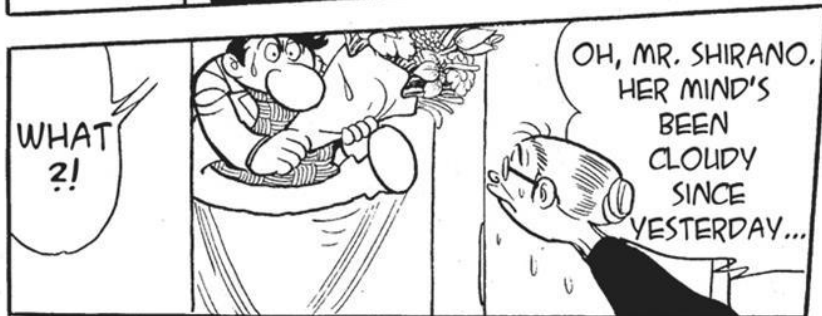
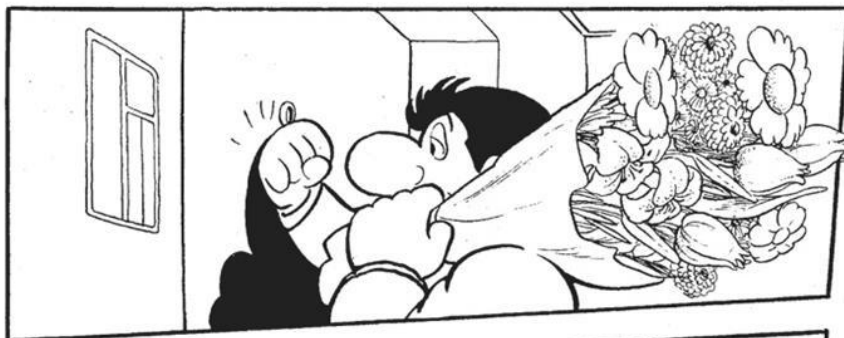
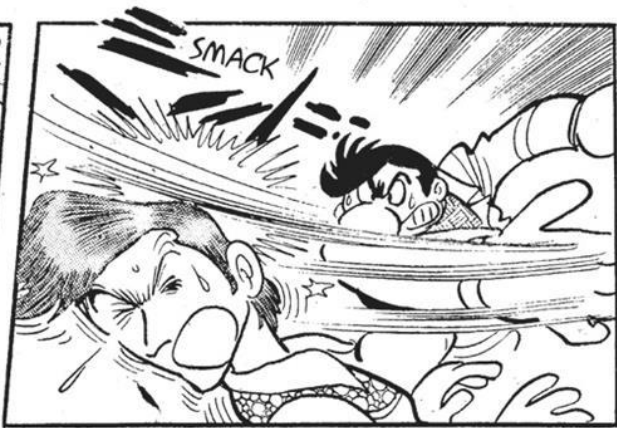
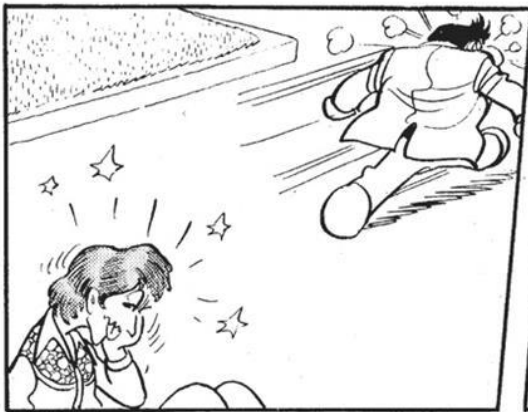




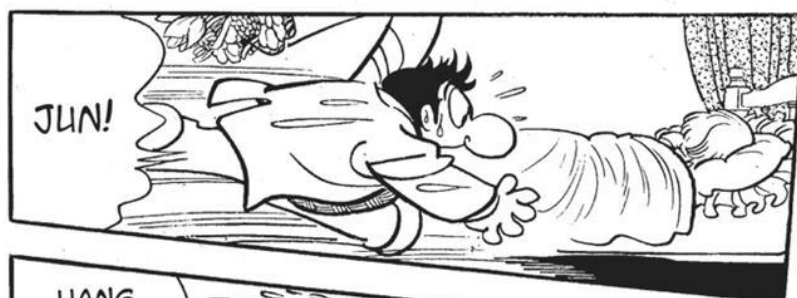




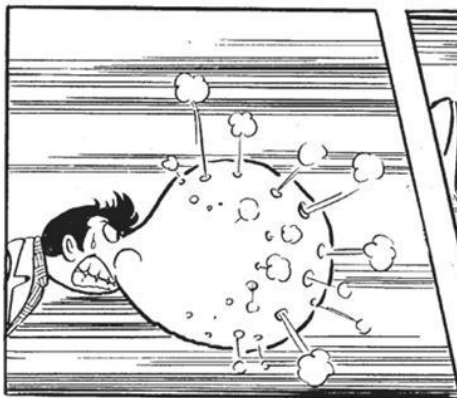


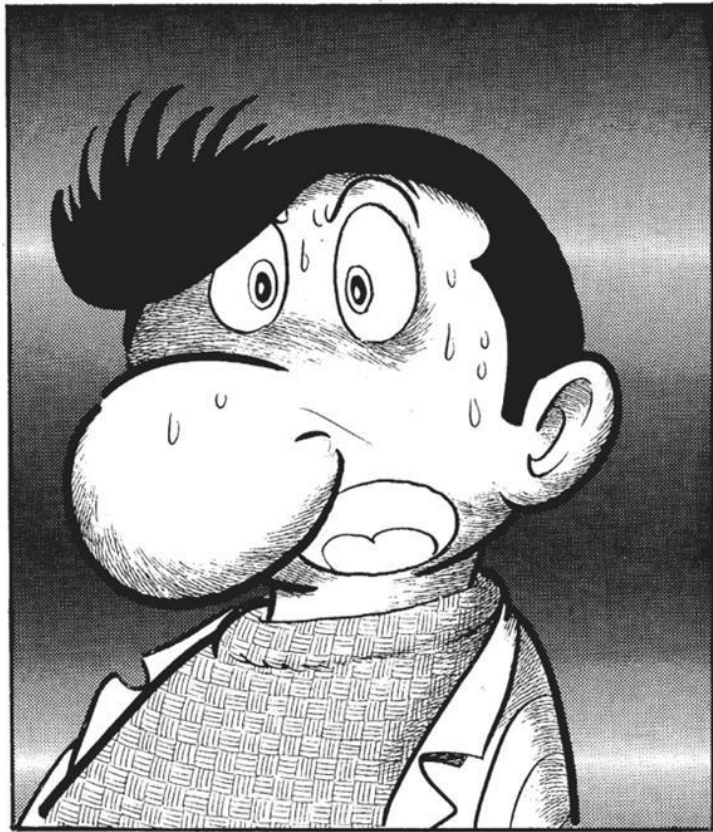
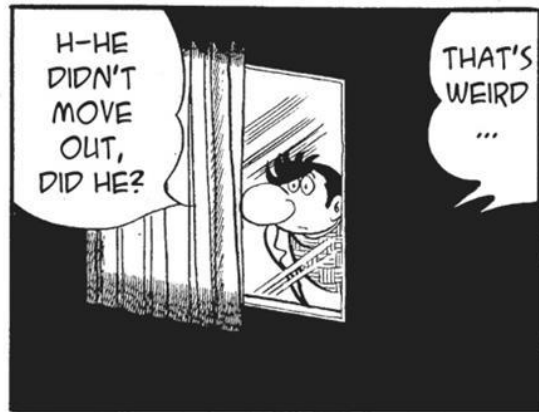


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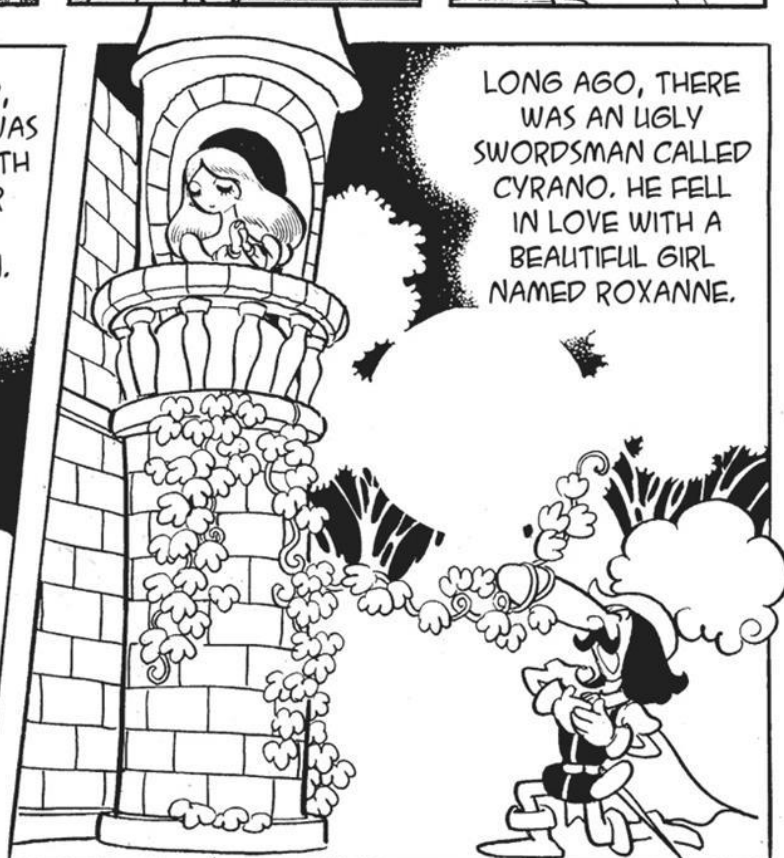
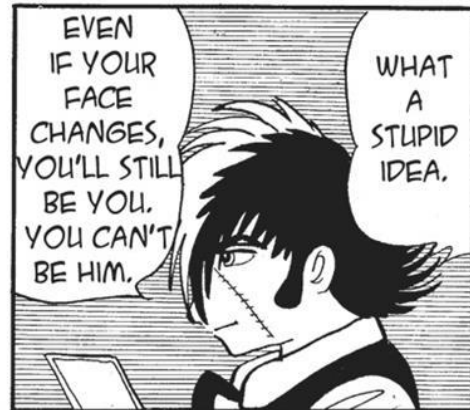


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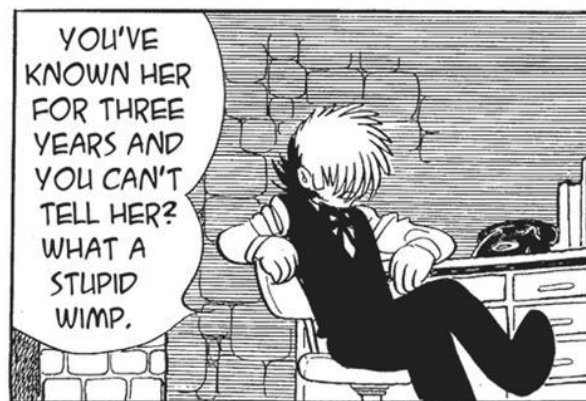
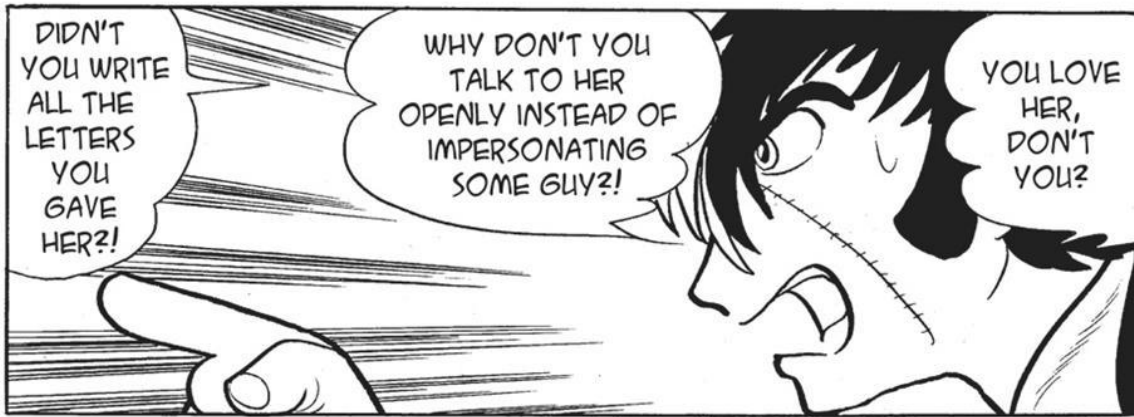




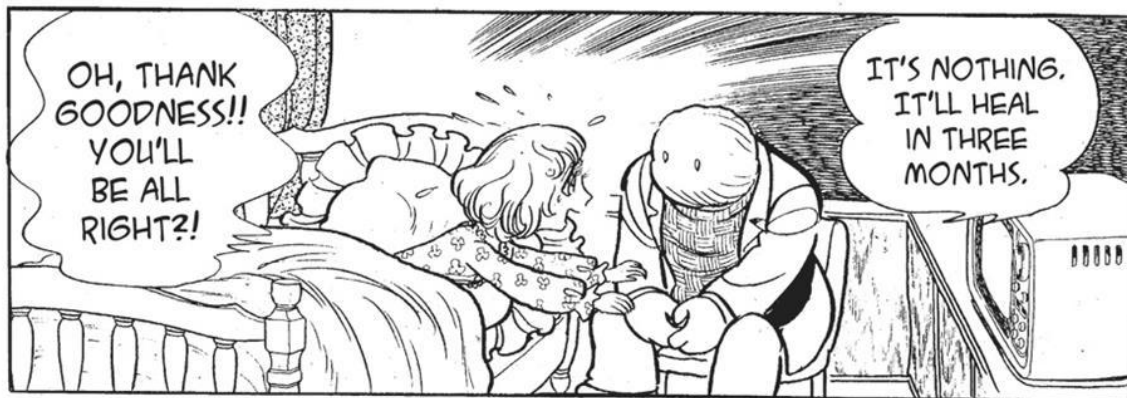




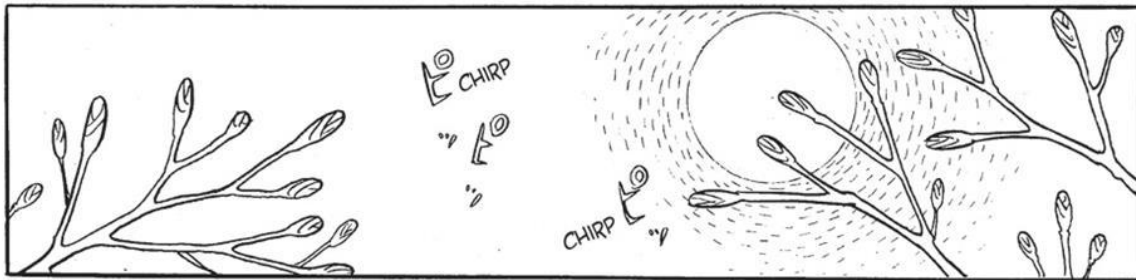


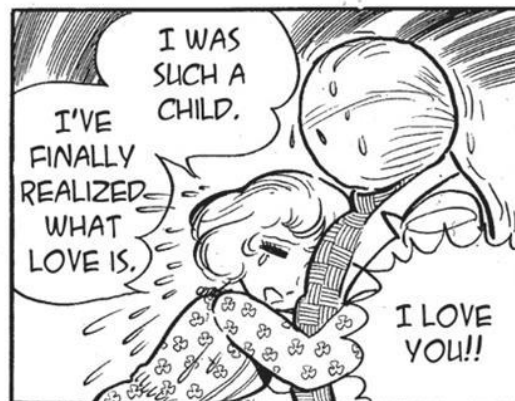




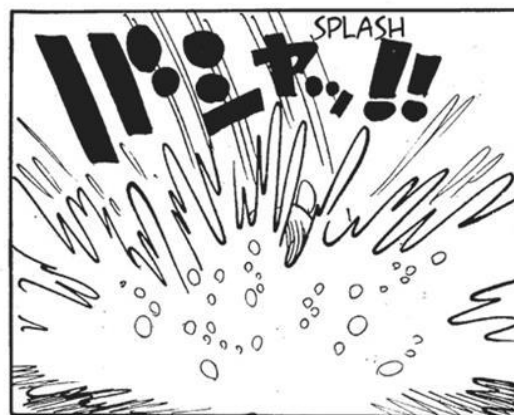
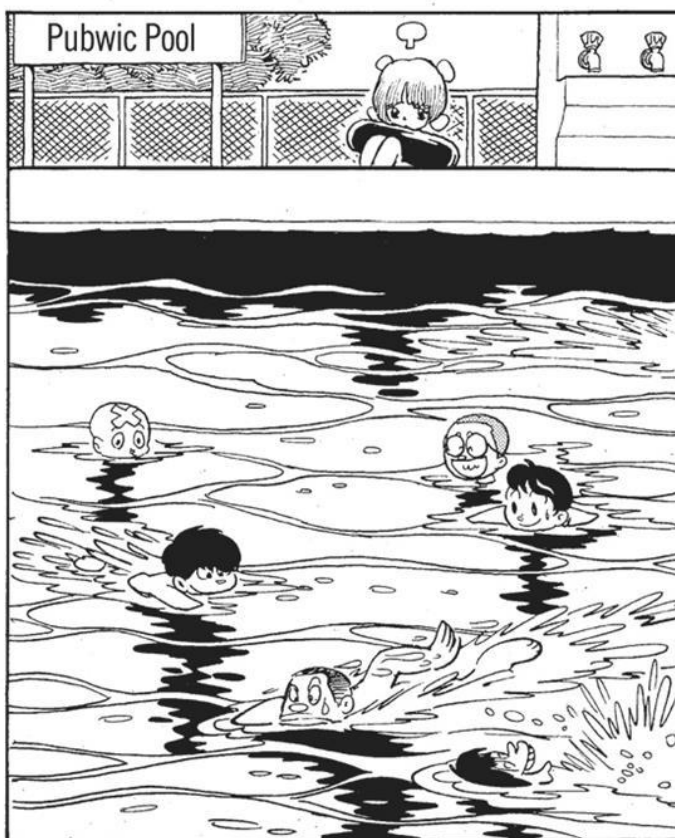


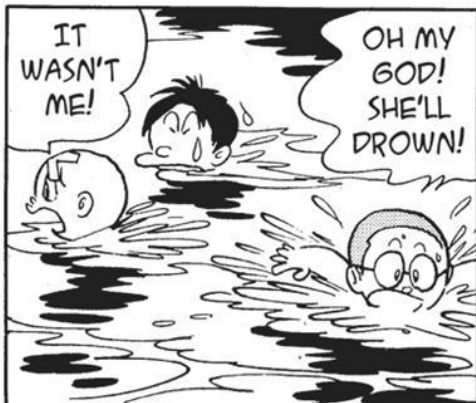
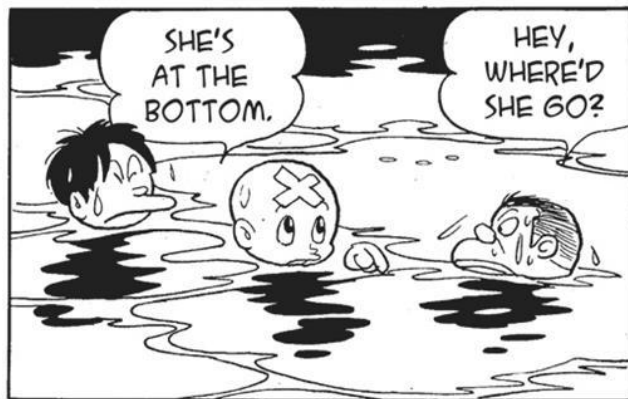
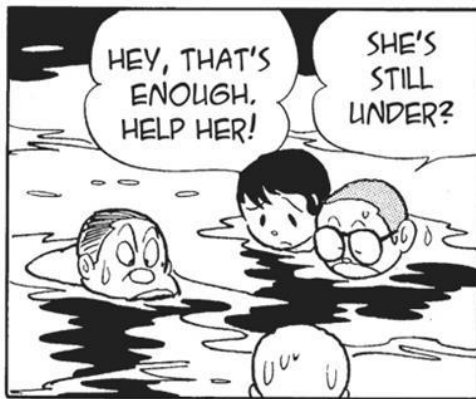


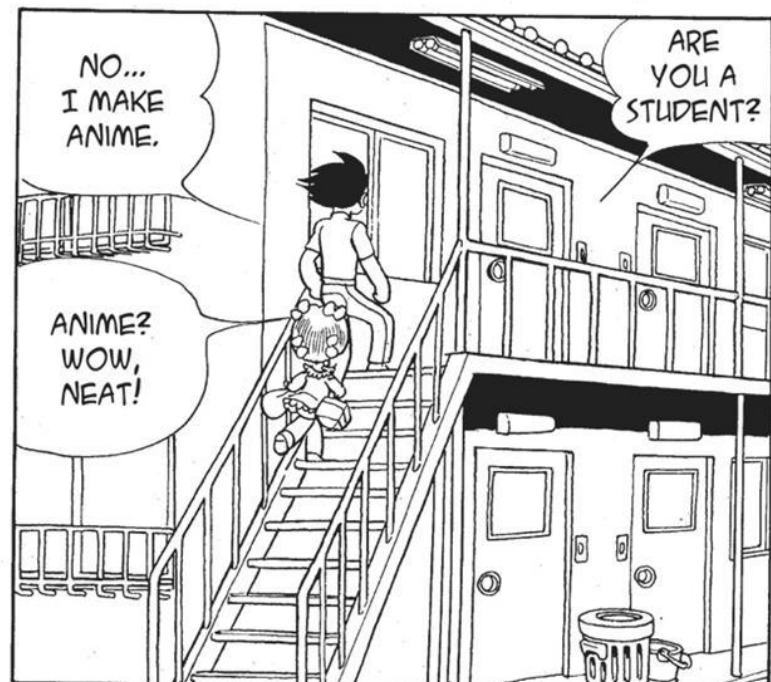
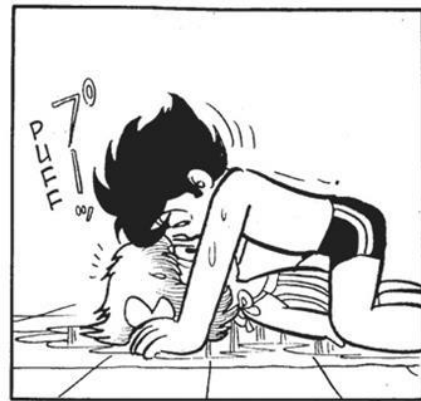


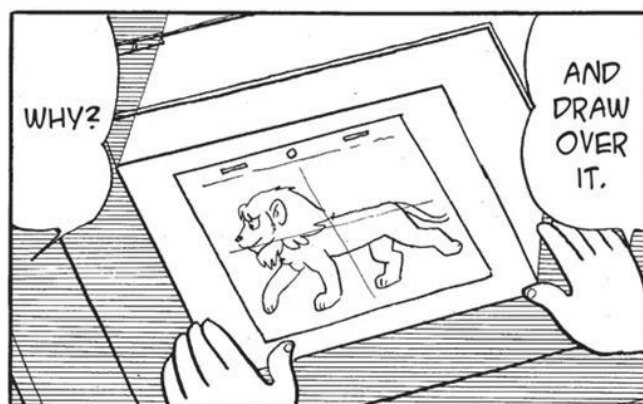
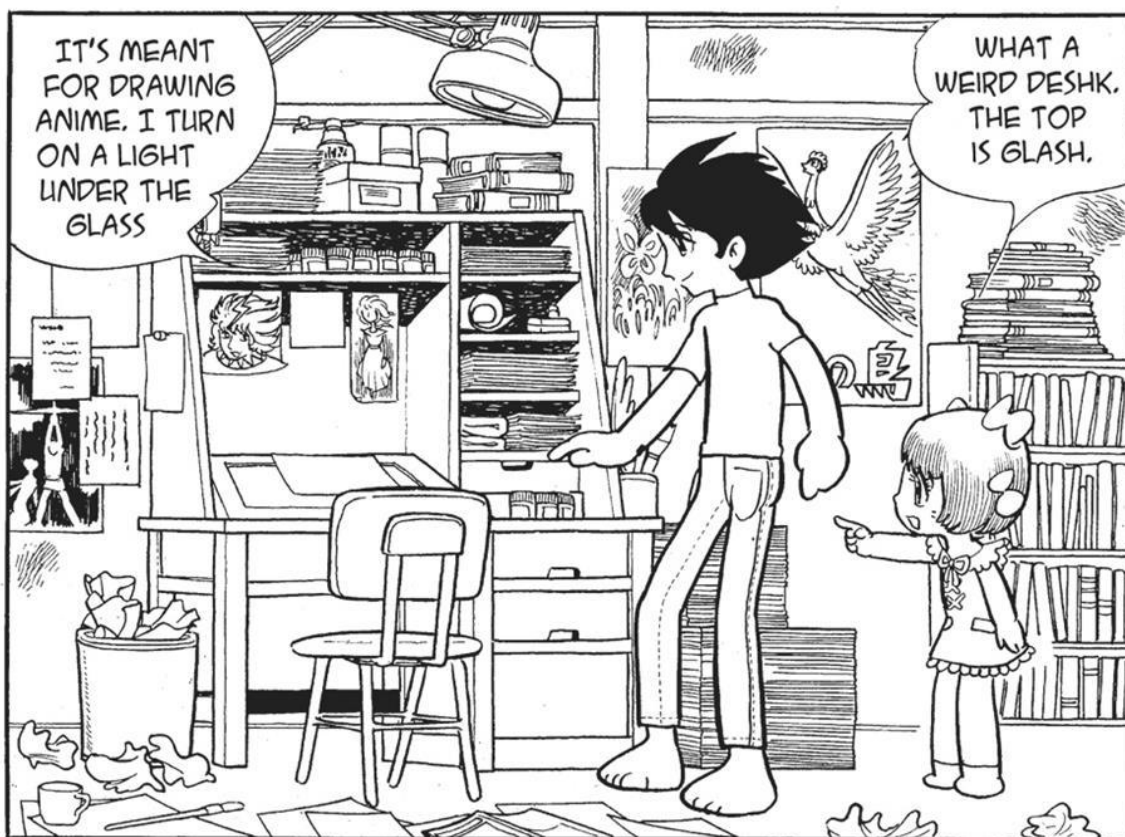


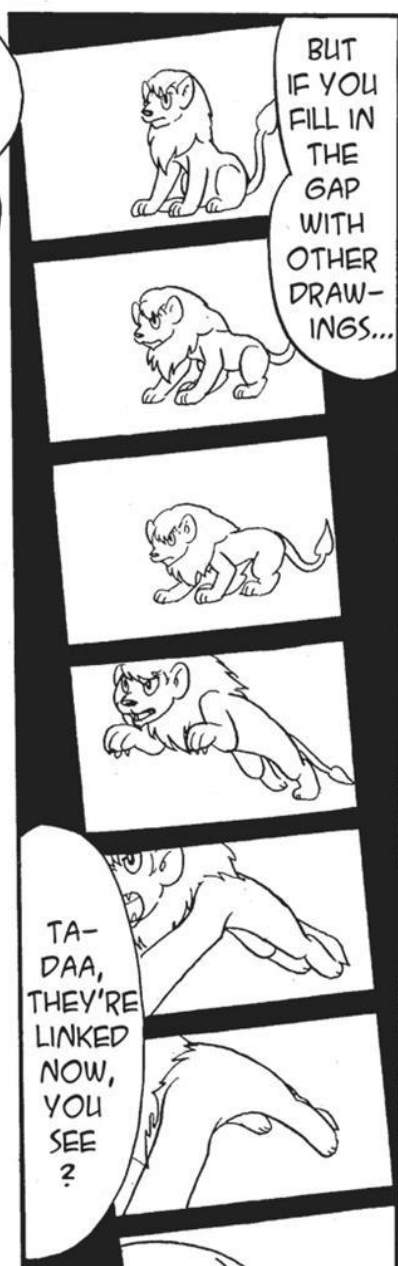
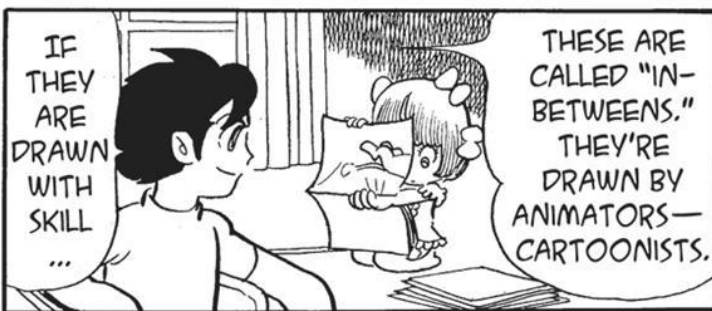
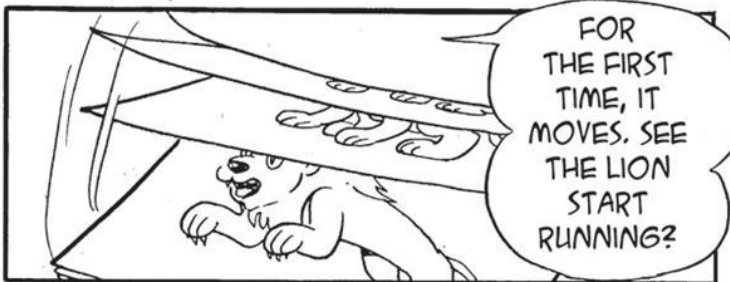
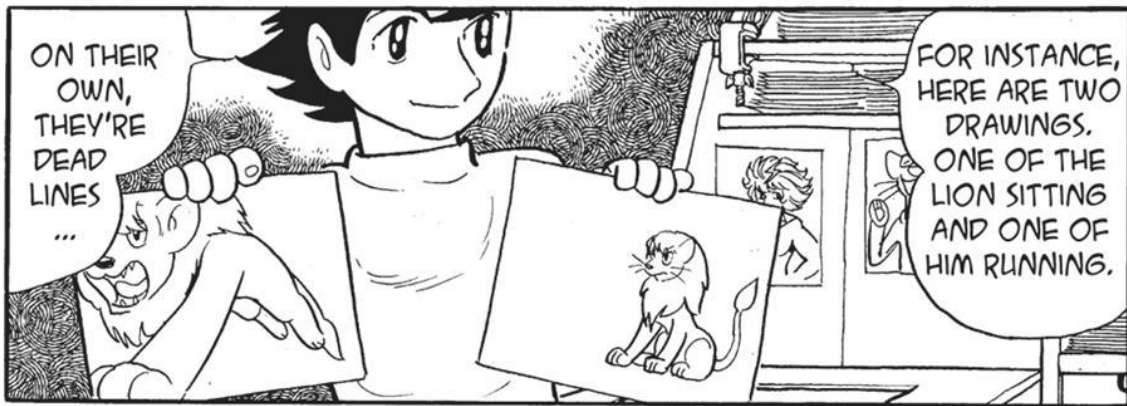
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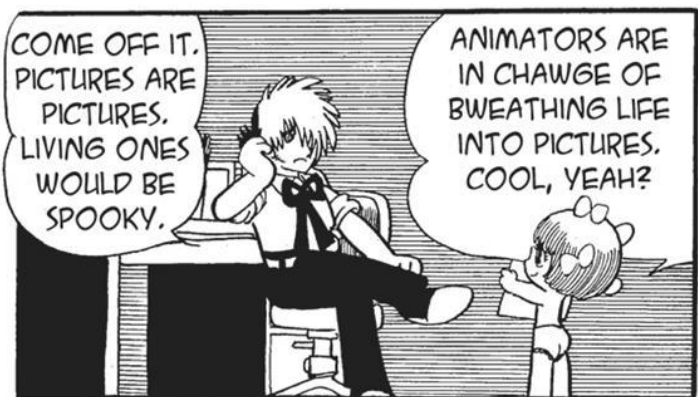
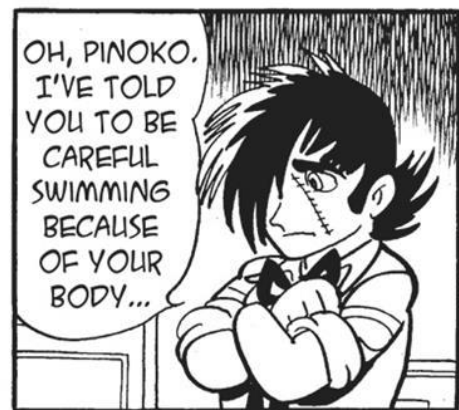
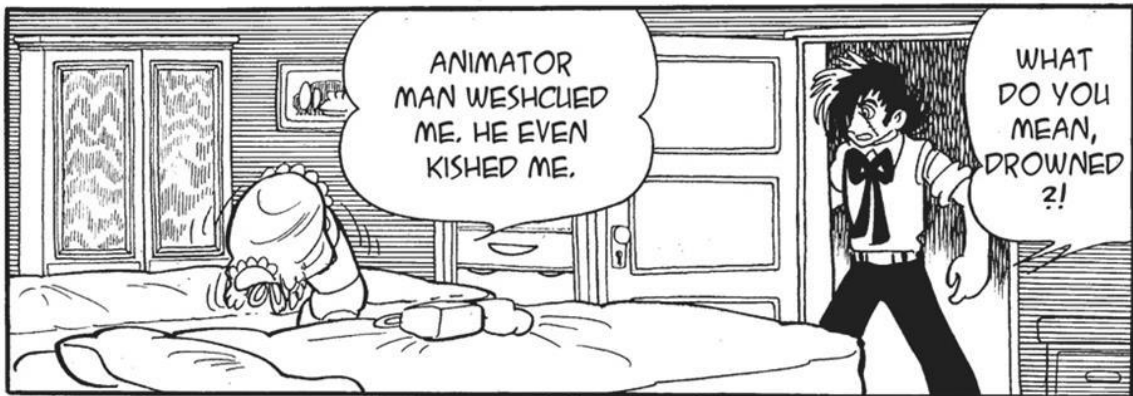
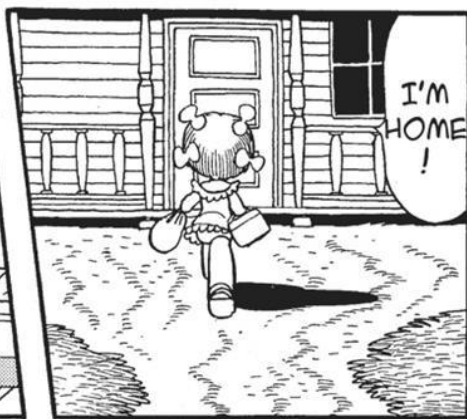


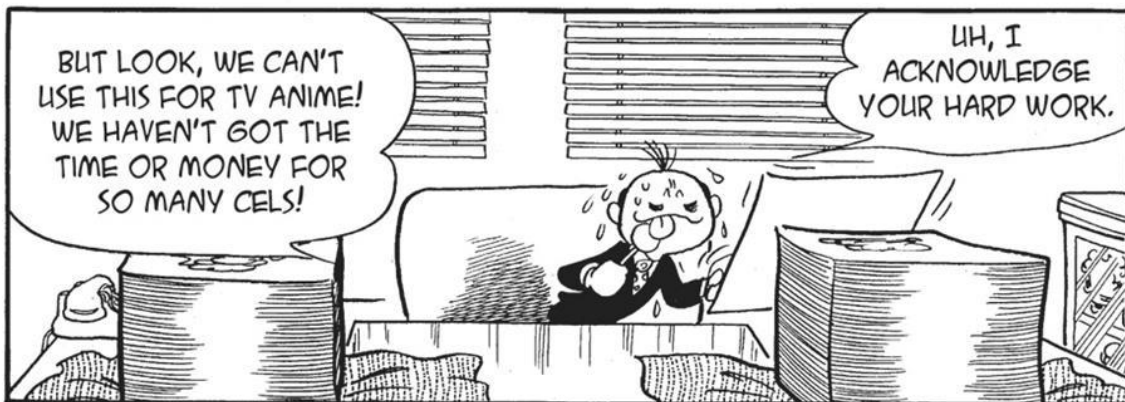
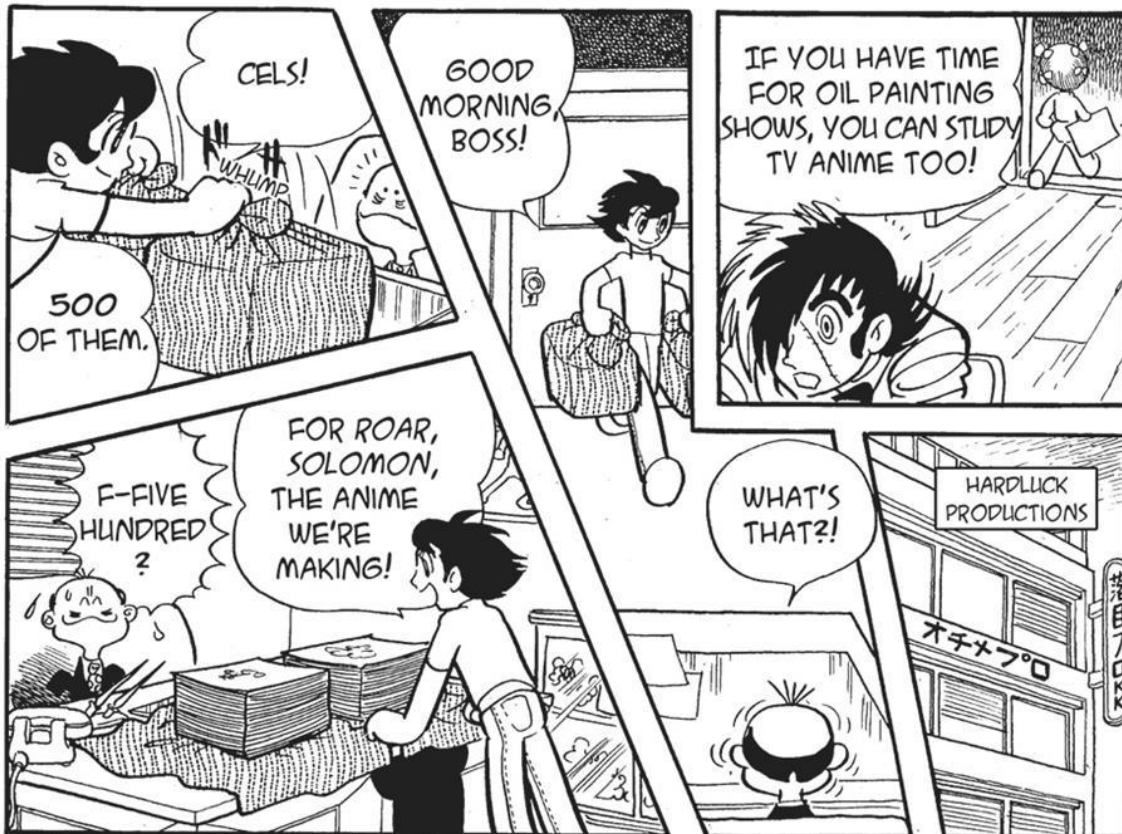






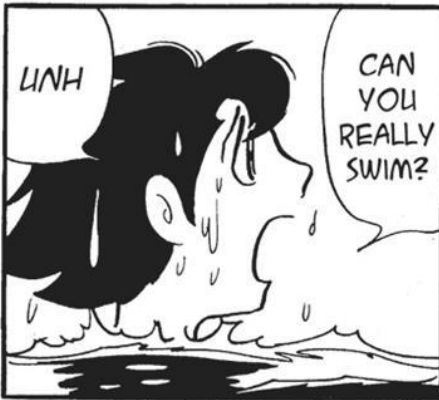
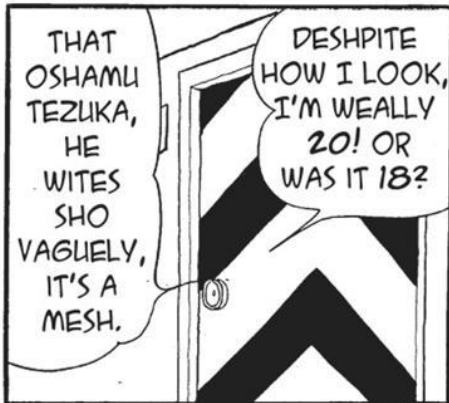
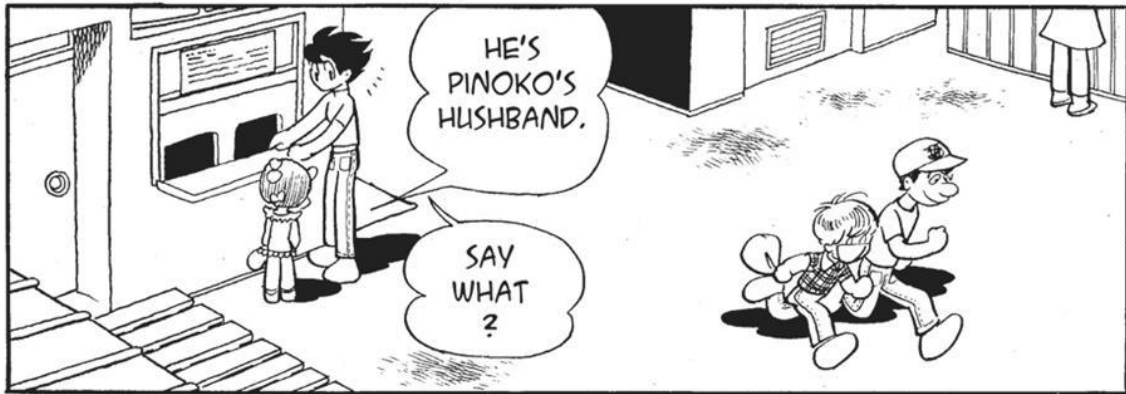


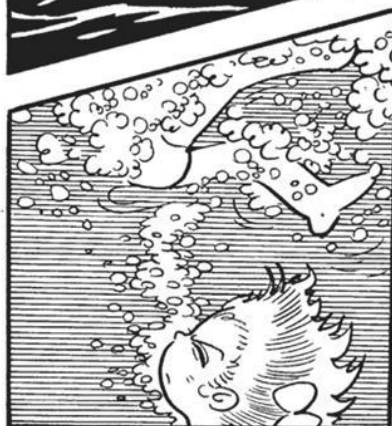
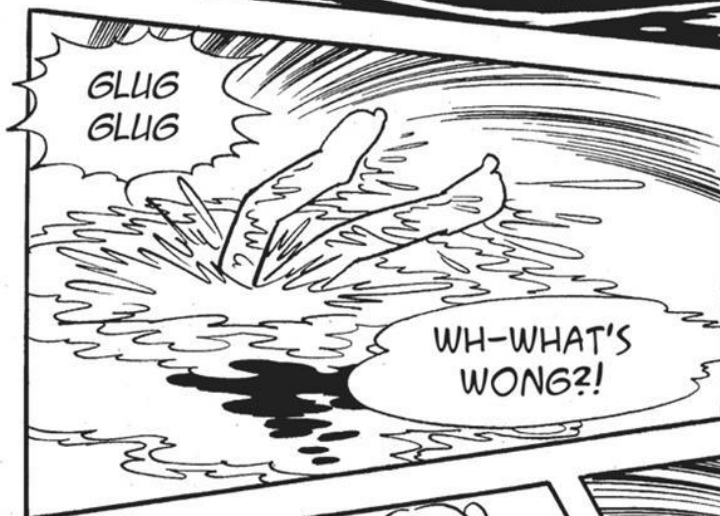


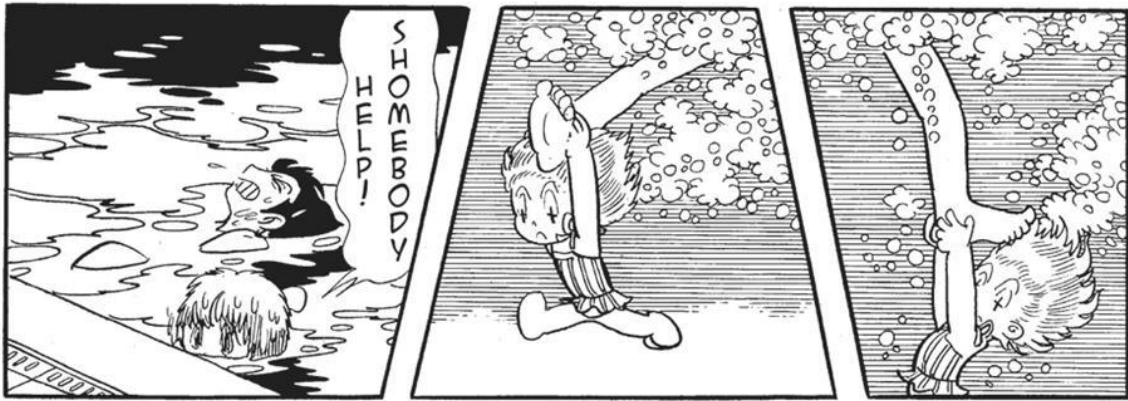




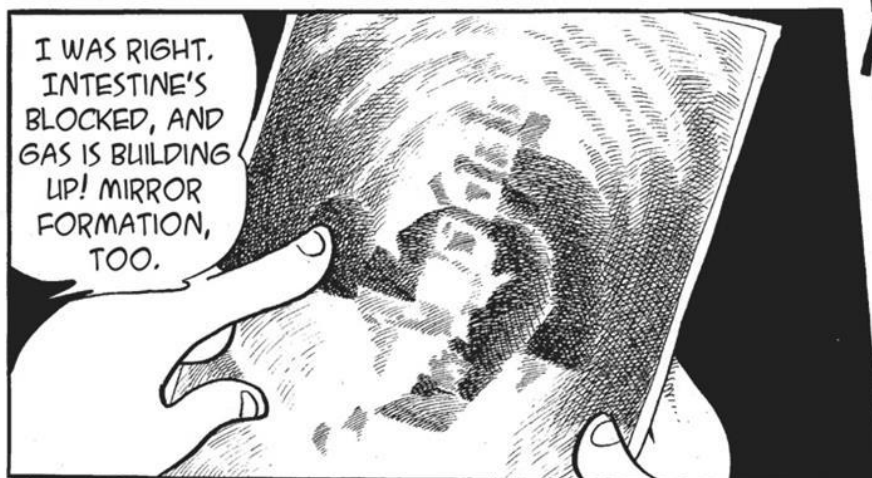


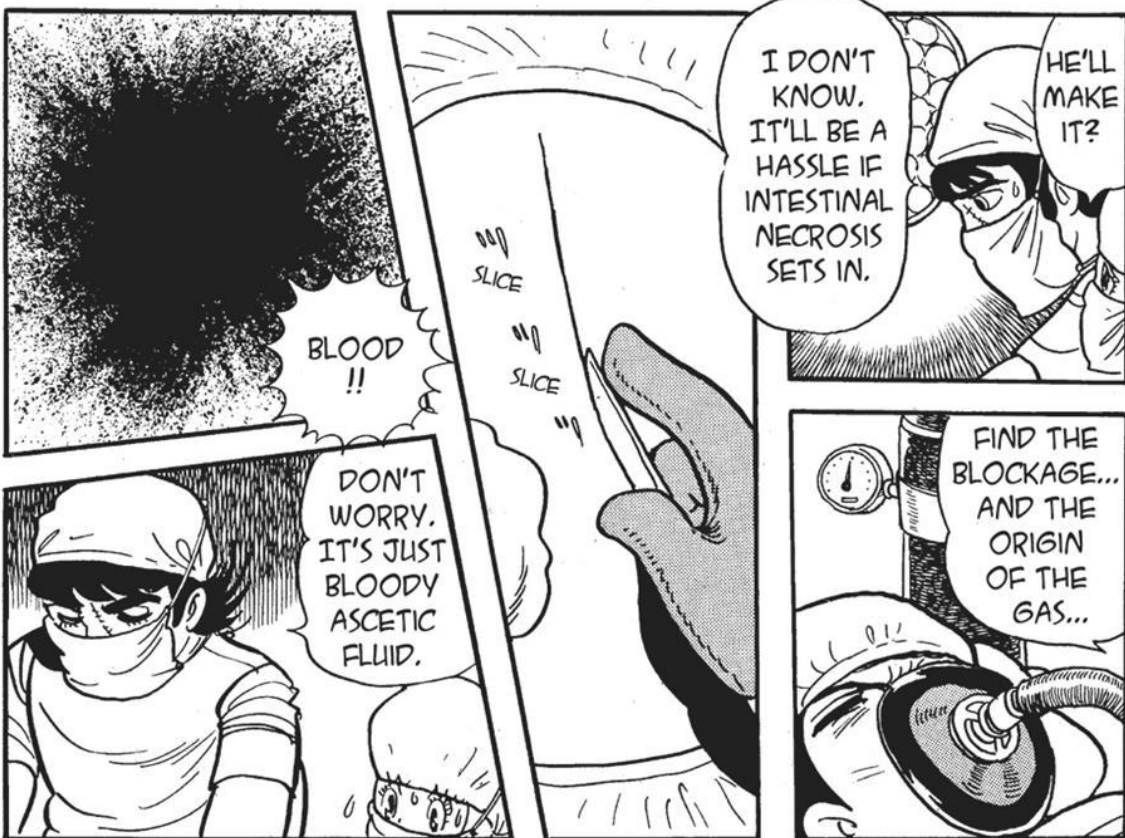


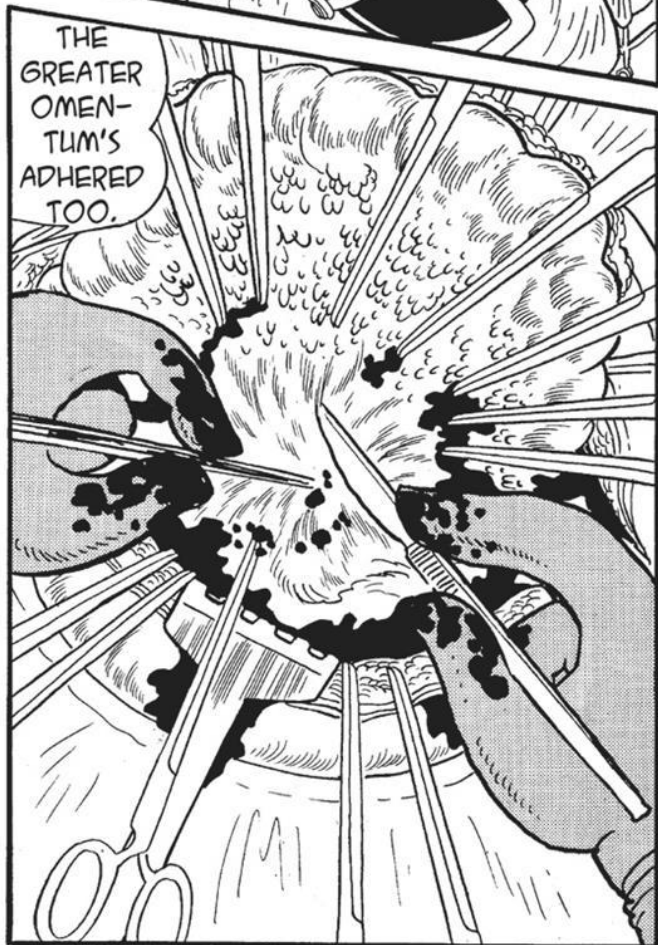
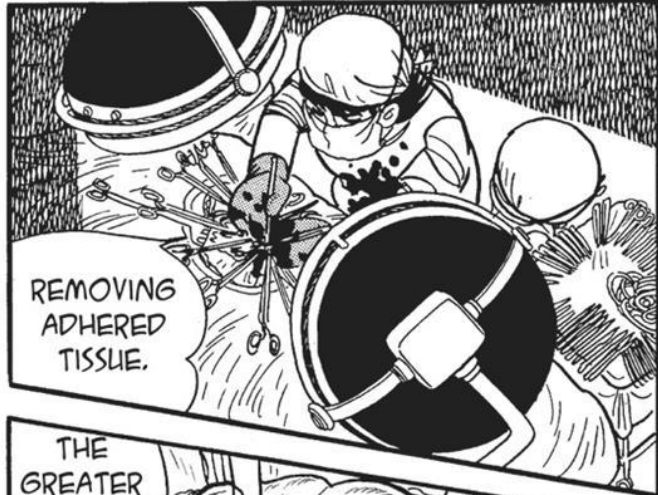


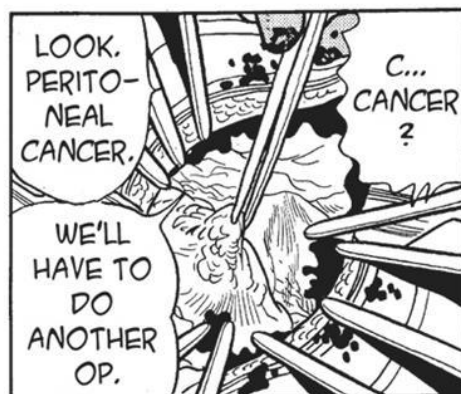
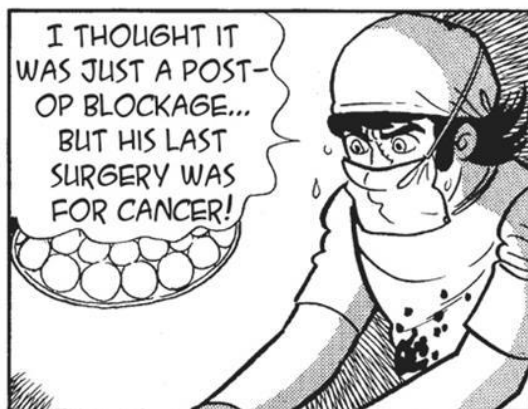


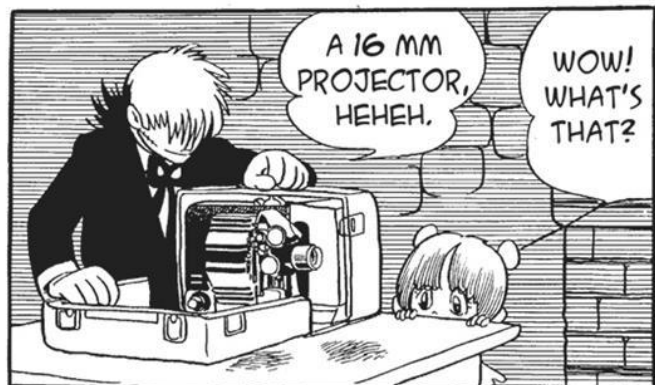
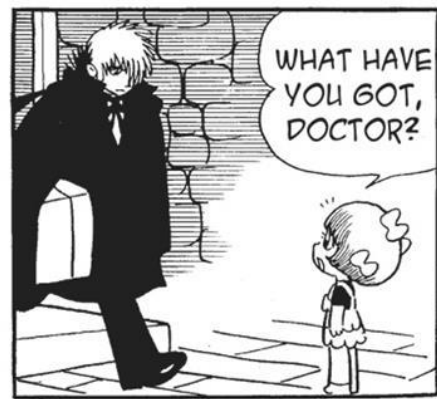


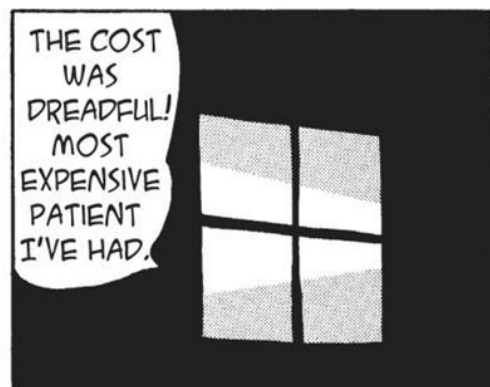
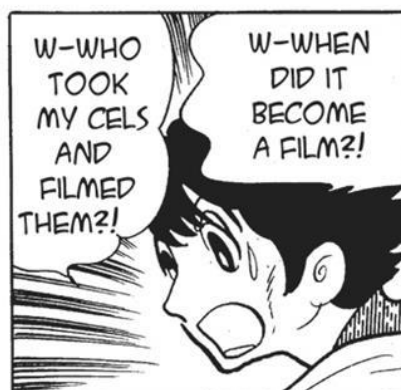
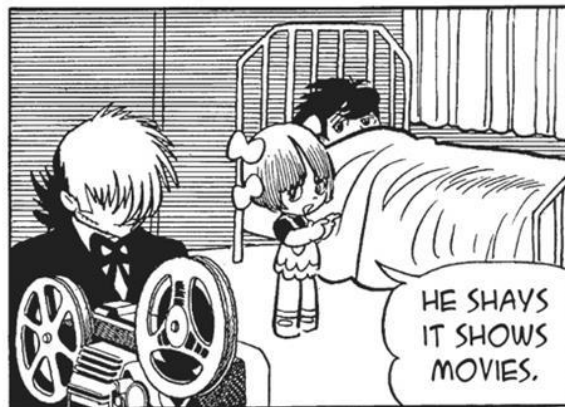
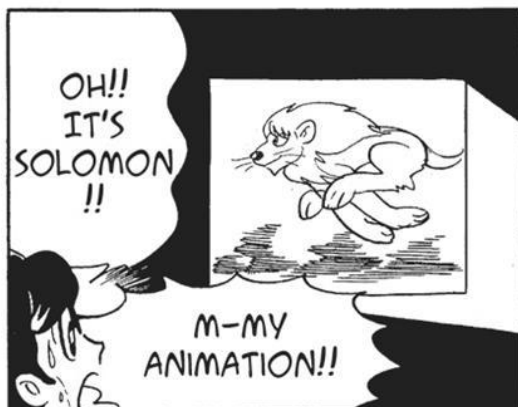




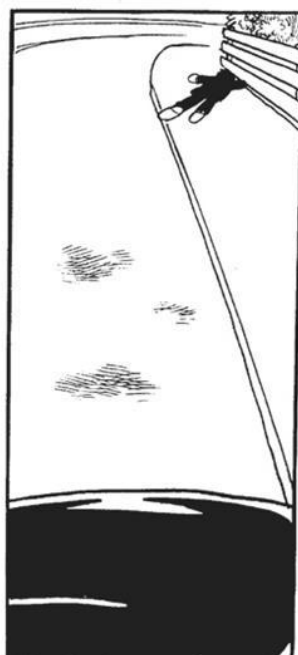


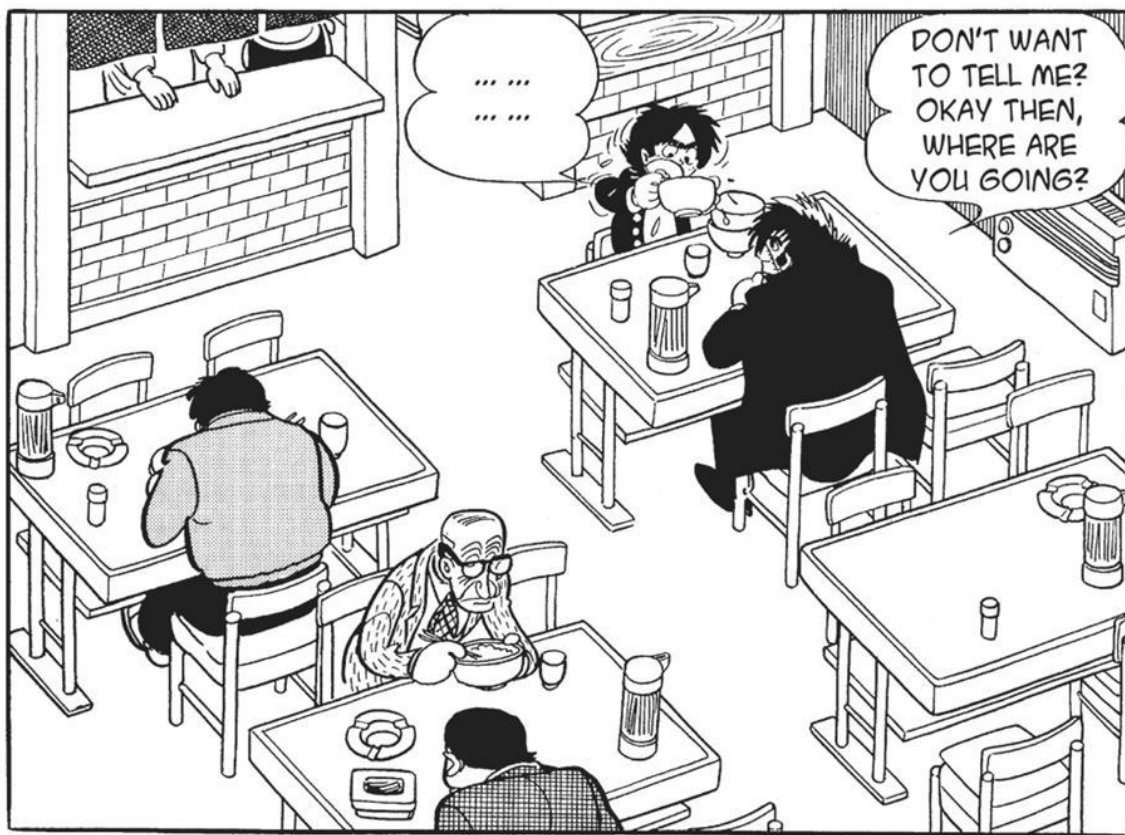


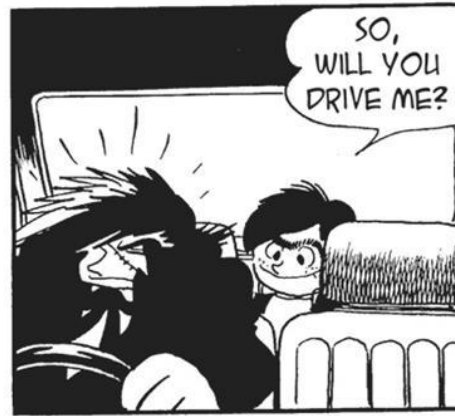
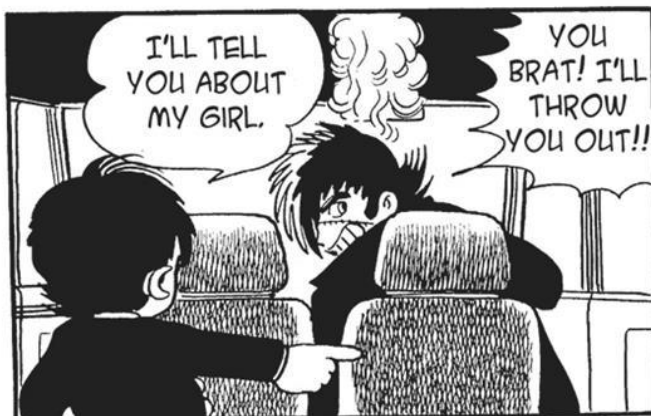


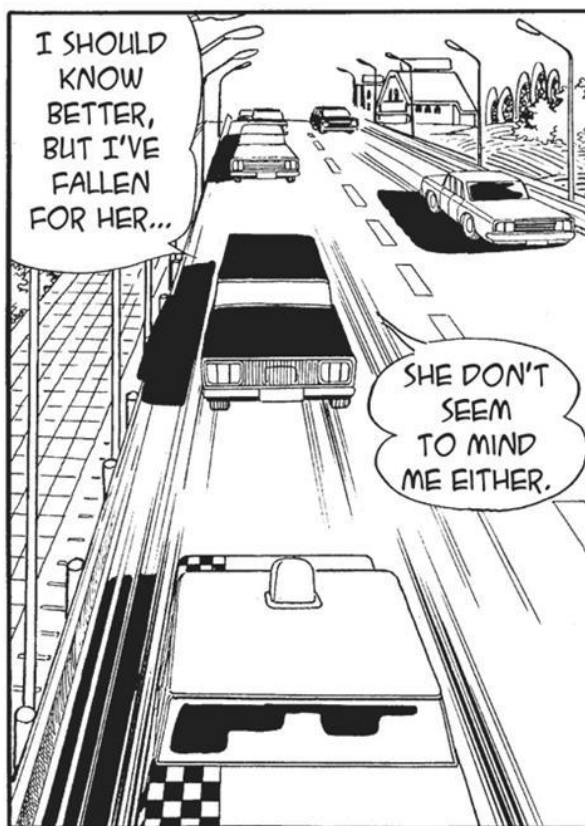
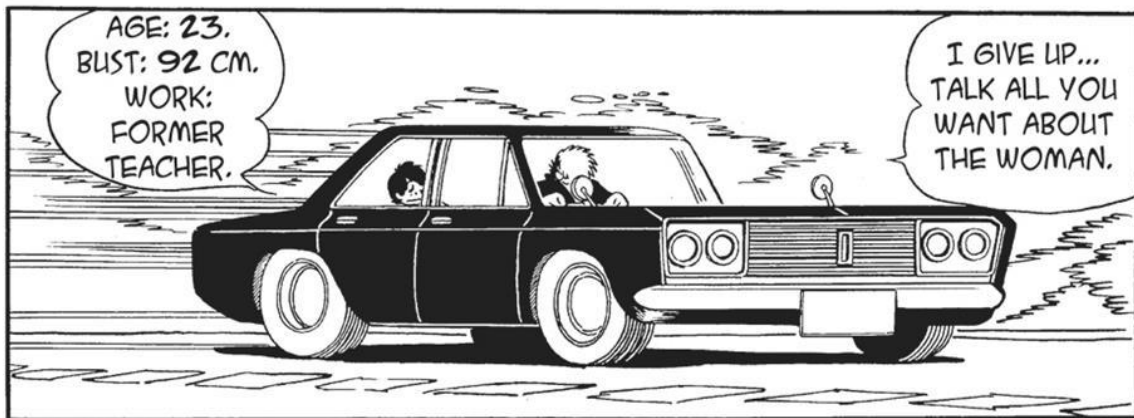


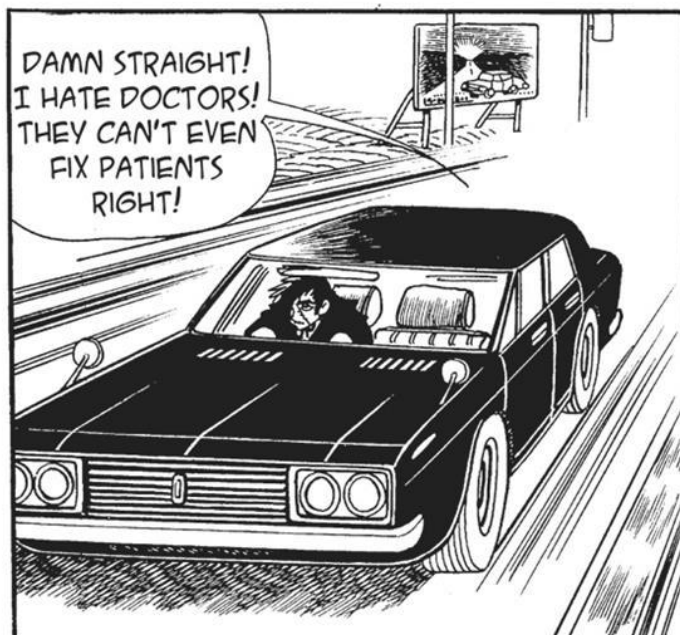
THE DAY HE PICKED UP A RUNAWAY



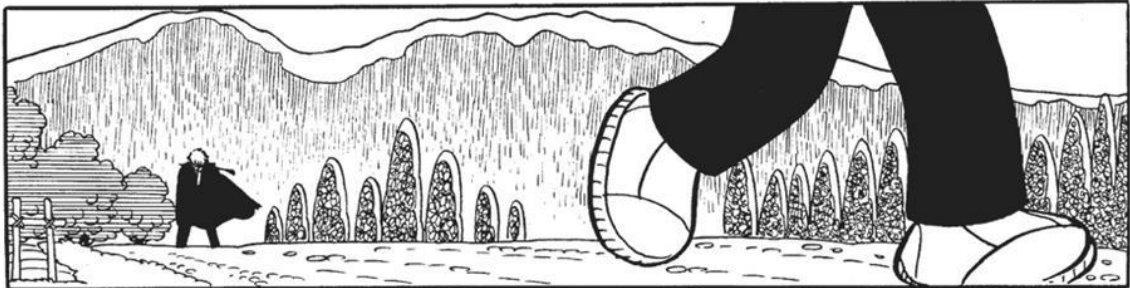
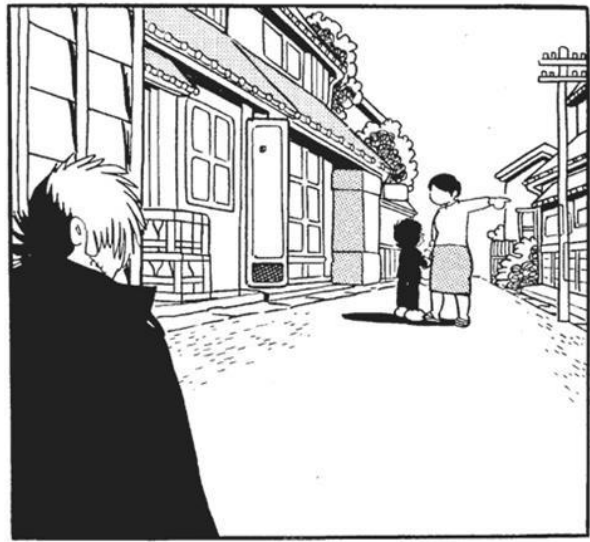




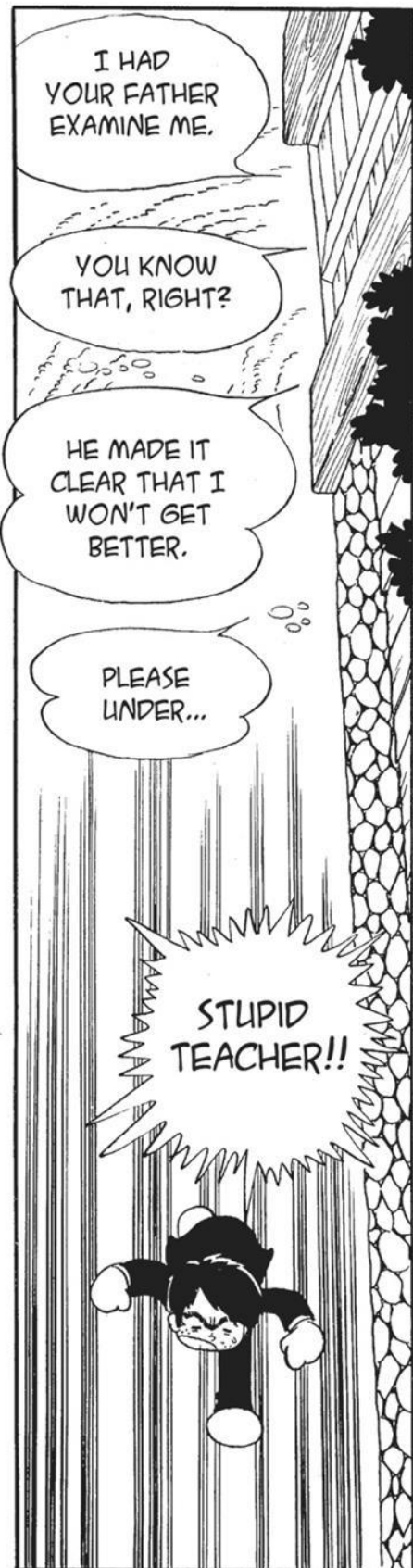
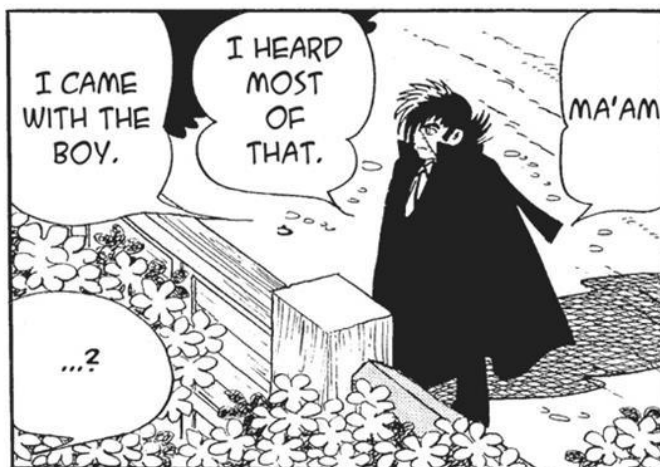


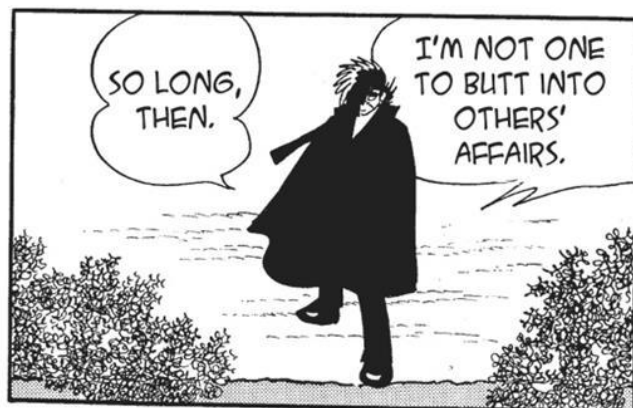
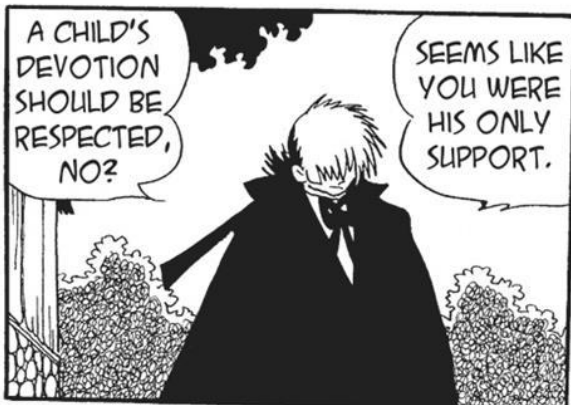


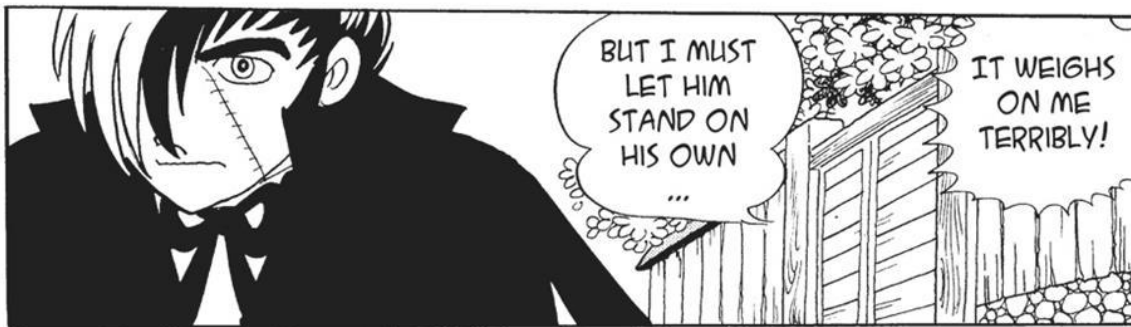












BUT I MUST
LET HIM
STAND ON
HIS OWN
...

IT WEIGHS
ON ME
TERRIBLY!



HIS BEHAVIOR
WASN'T GOOD
EITHER.

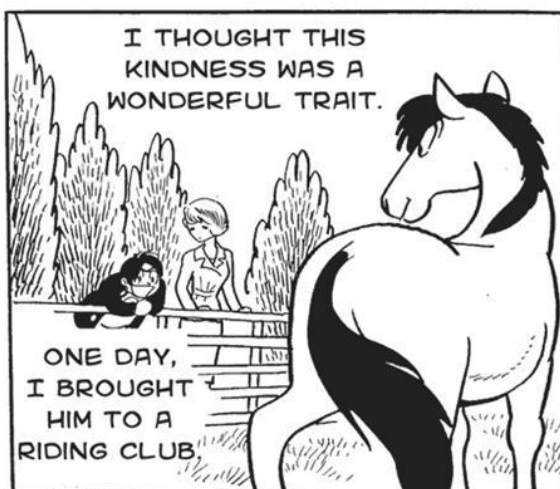


IN FACT,
HE COULD
BE DESCRIBED
AS A MISFIT
...

IT'S TRUE
THAT KIKUCHI...
HAD POOR
GRADES.



YET HE
TOOK A LIKING
TO ME AND
TALKED
FREELY
WITH ME.



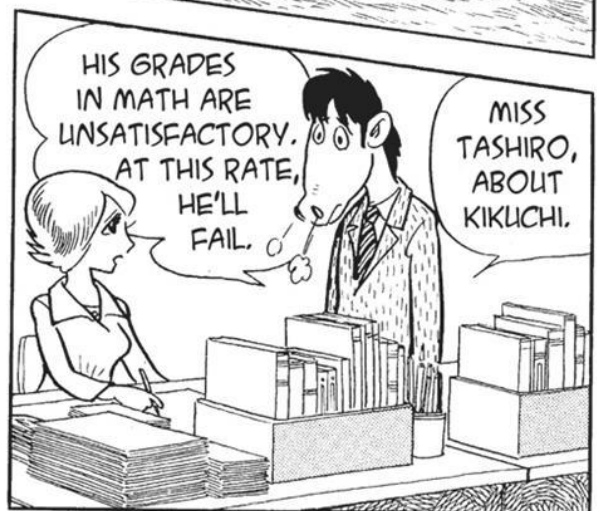
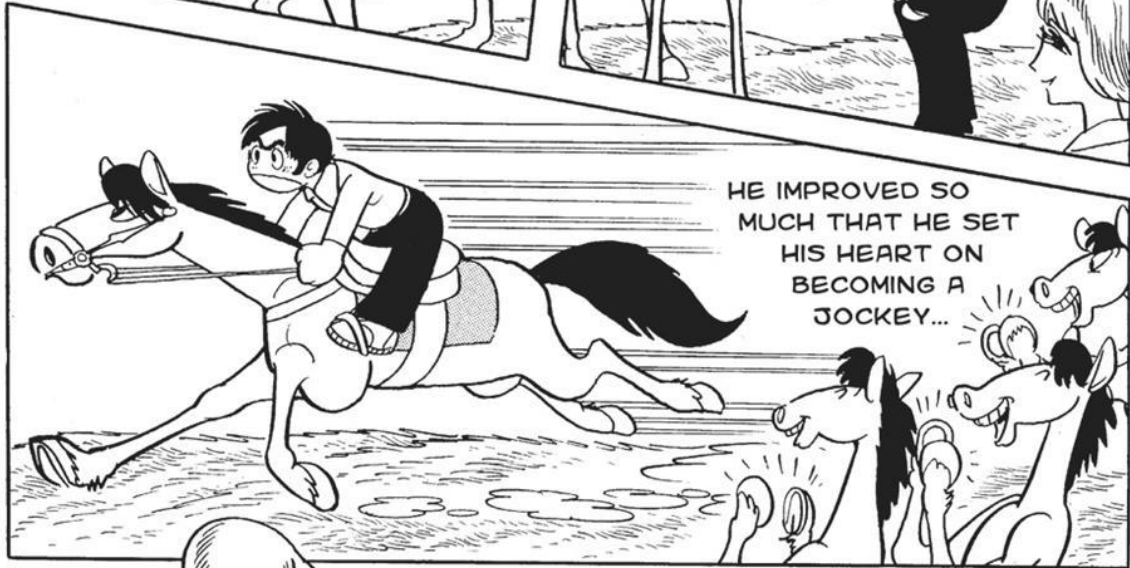
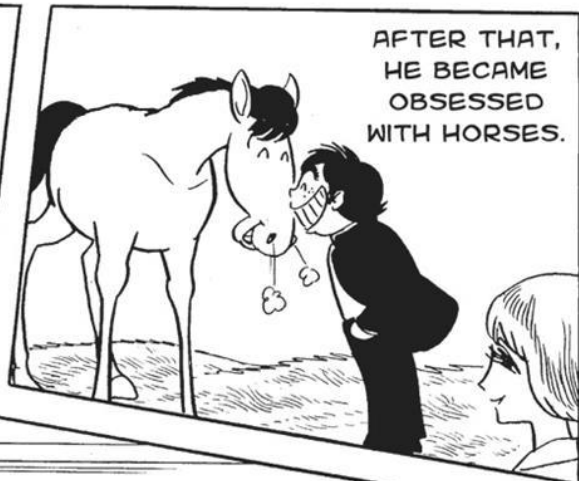
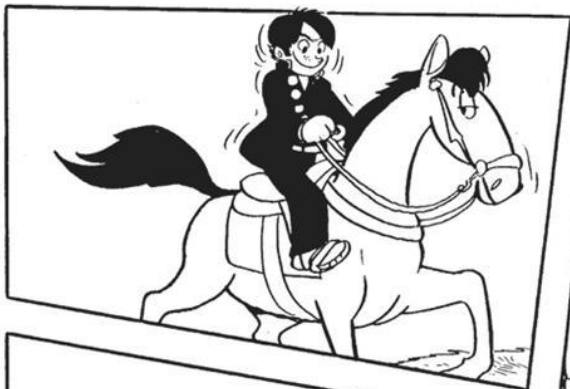
I THOUGHT THIS
KINDNESS WAS A
WONDERFUL TRAIT.

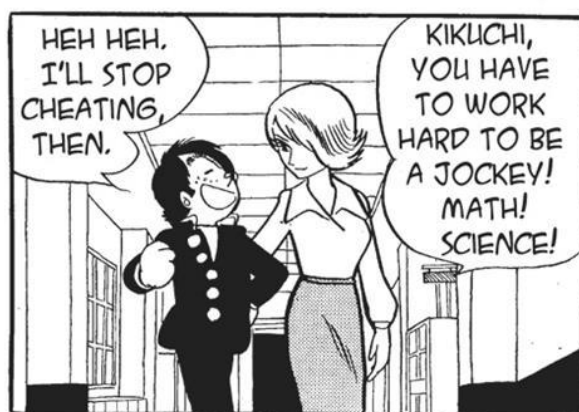
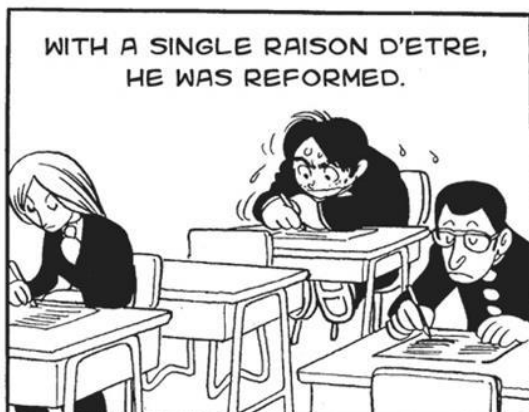
ONE DAY,
I BROUGHT
HIM TO A
RIDING CLUB

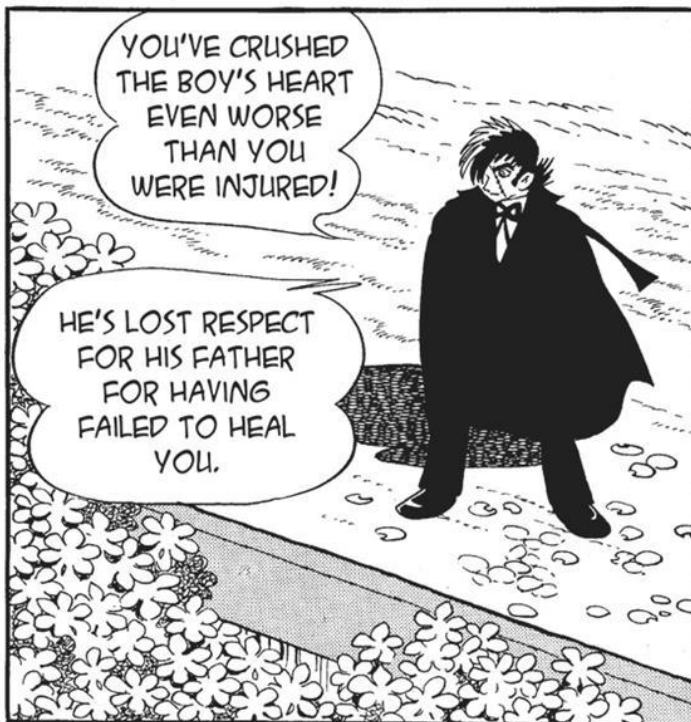


HE HAD NO
SALIENT
GIFTS.

BUT HE WAS
CURIOUSLY
FOND OF
ANIMALS.









YOU SHOULD
FIND THAT
RUNAWAY
AND TAKE
HIM HOME.

FIRST

THE REST...
IS UP TO
HEAVEN.



HMPH!



WE'LL
SEE
ABOUT
THAT.
GO TO
HER.

SHE
WANTS TO
APOLOGIZE
TO YOU.

HMPH.



HEY, KIKUCHI.
YOU DIDN'T
FIND HER?

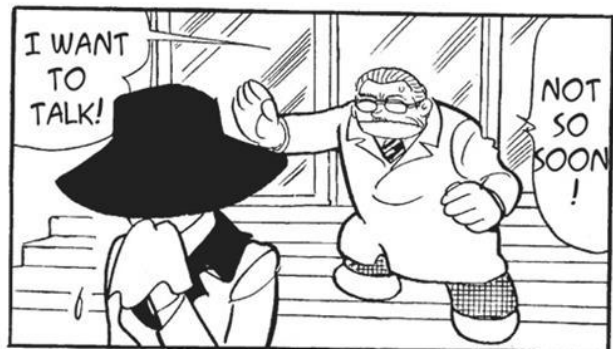
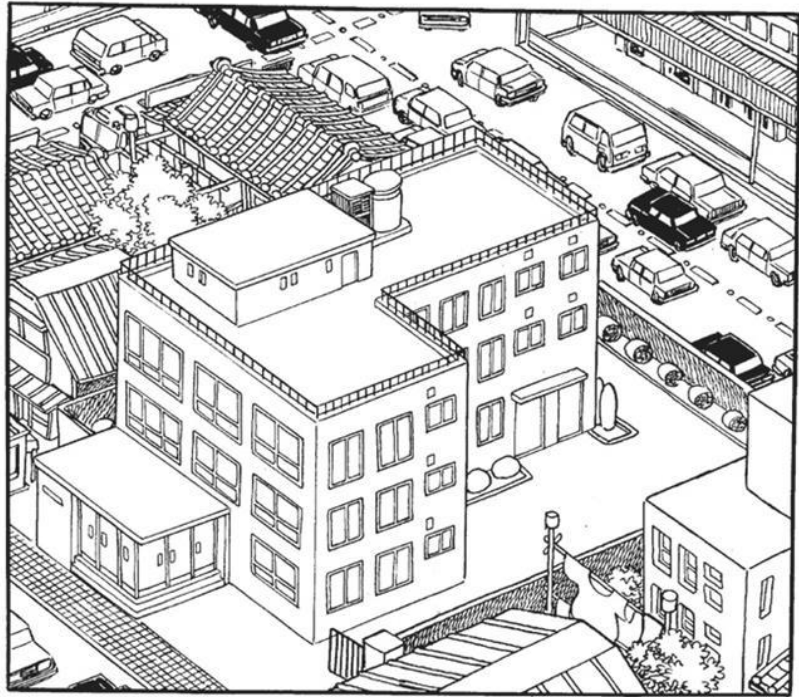
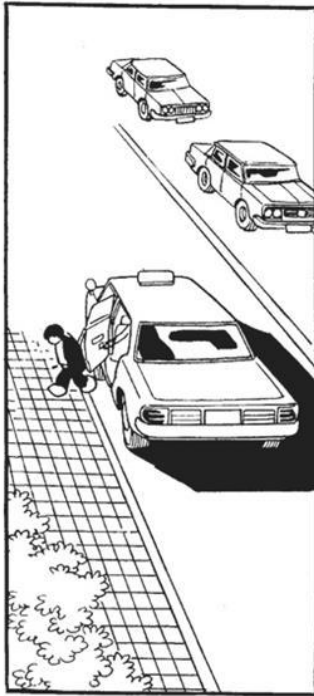
THE HELL
WITH
HER!!

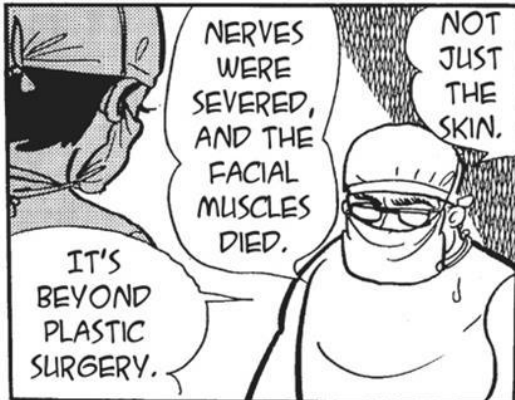


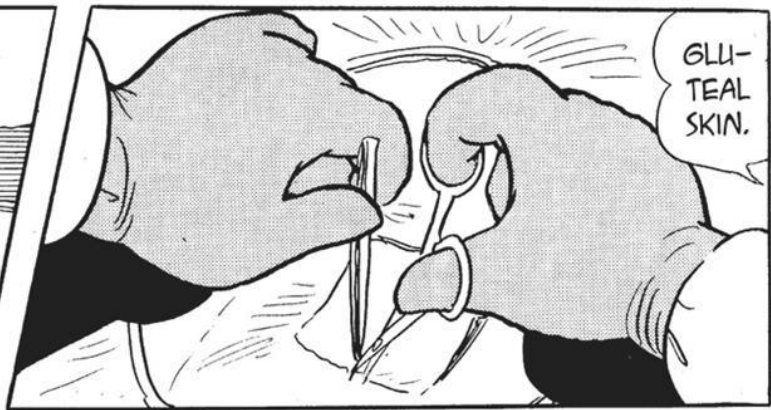
DON'T
WANT
TO SEE
HER?

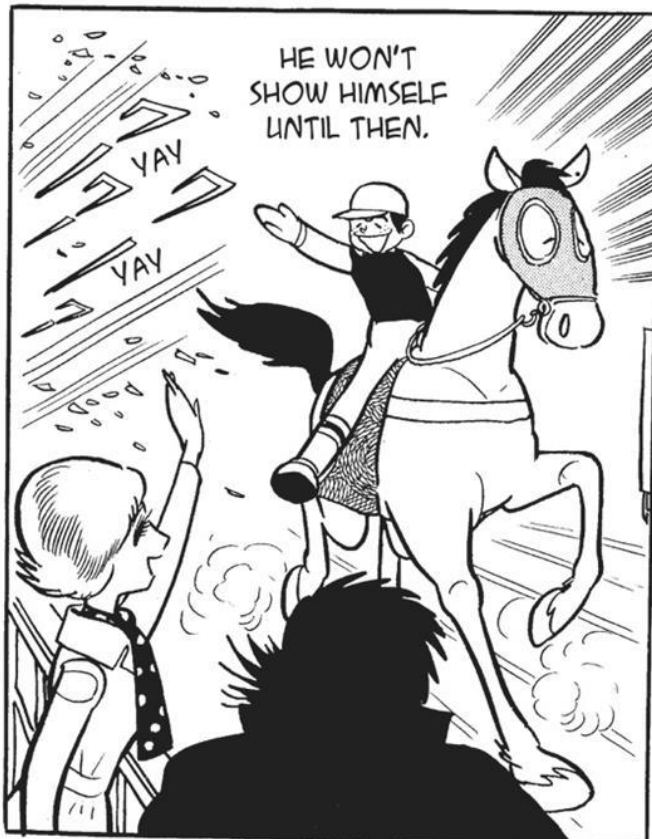
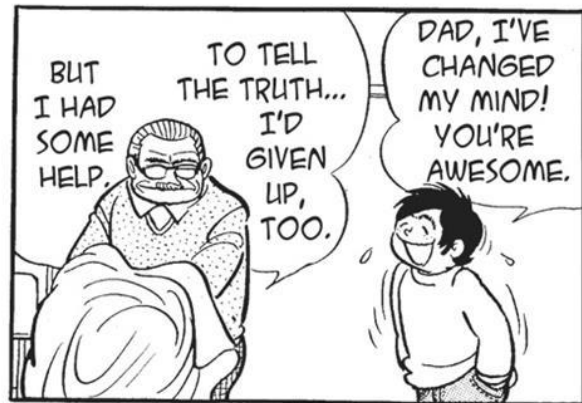
SHE
DITCHED
ME!









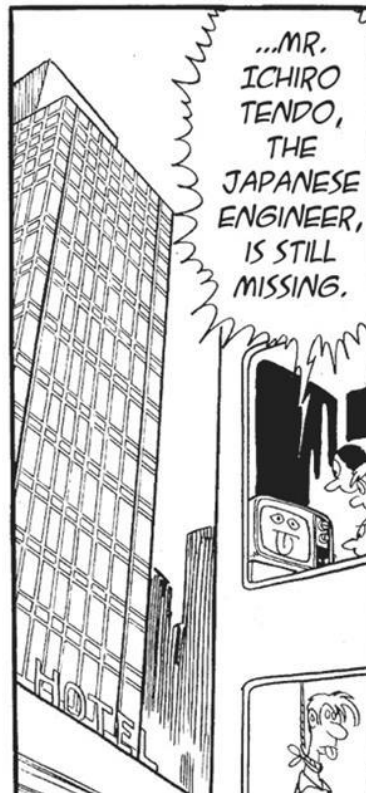
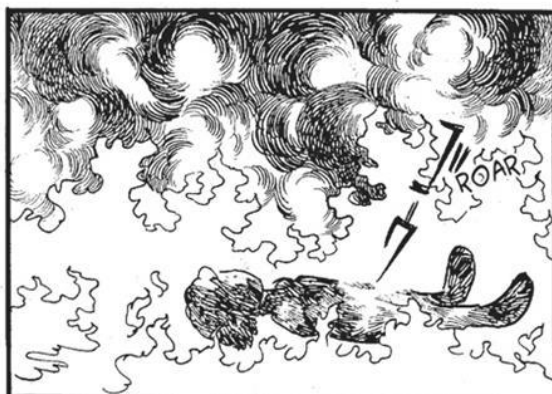


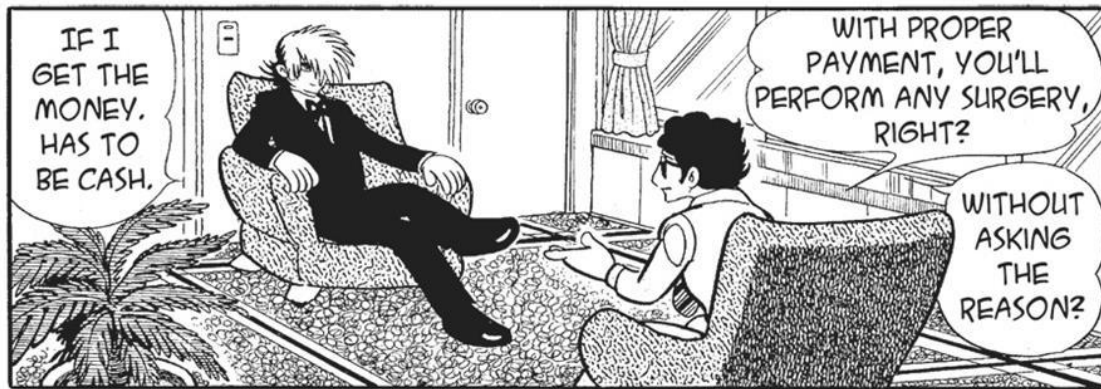
A LUCKY MAN

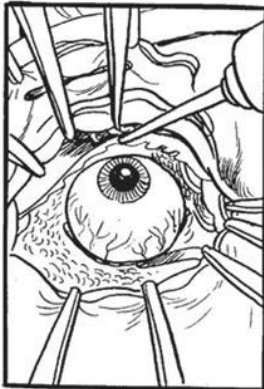


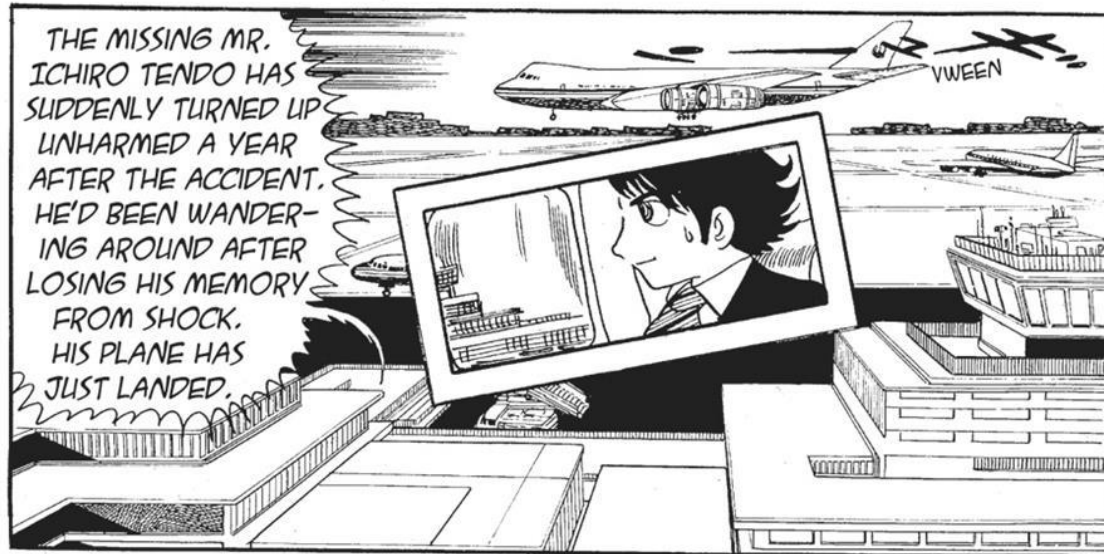
AN OIL TANK
HAS EXPLODED IN
IRAN. IT SEEMS THAT
MANY ENGINEERS,
INCLUDING JAPANESE,
DIED AT THEIR POSTS,
BUT THE DETAILS
ARE UNKNOWN.



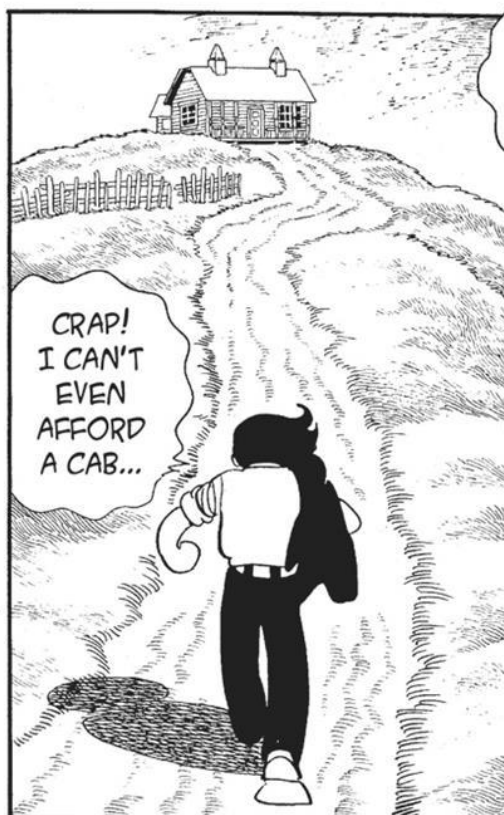
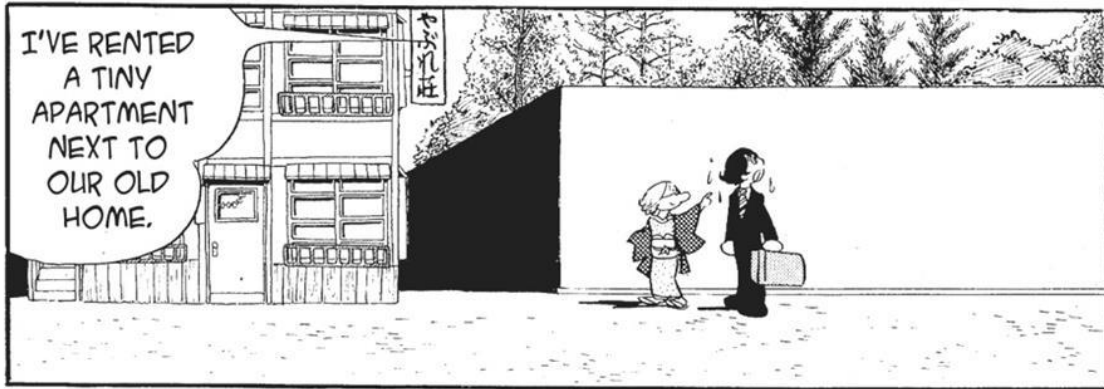


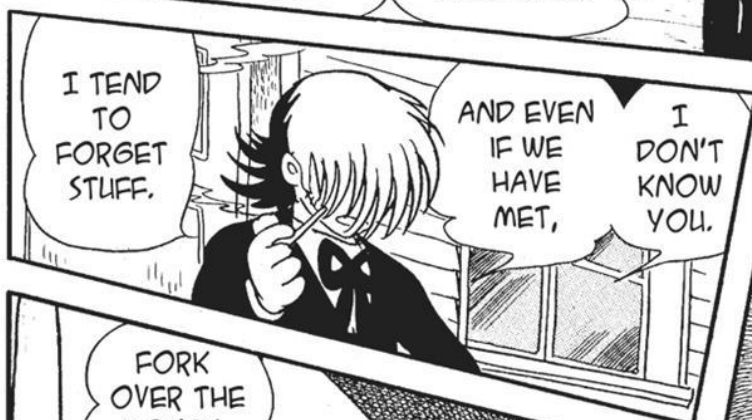




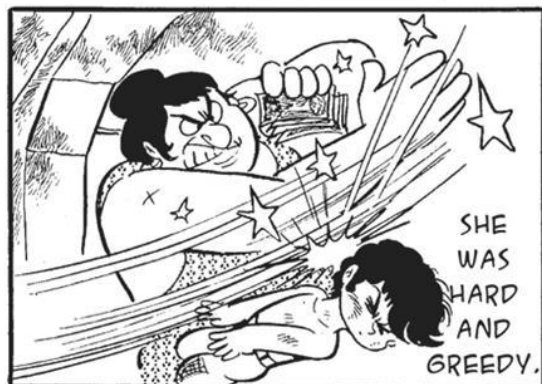
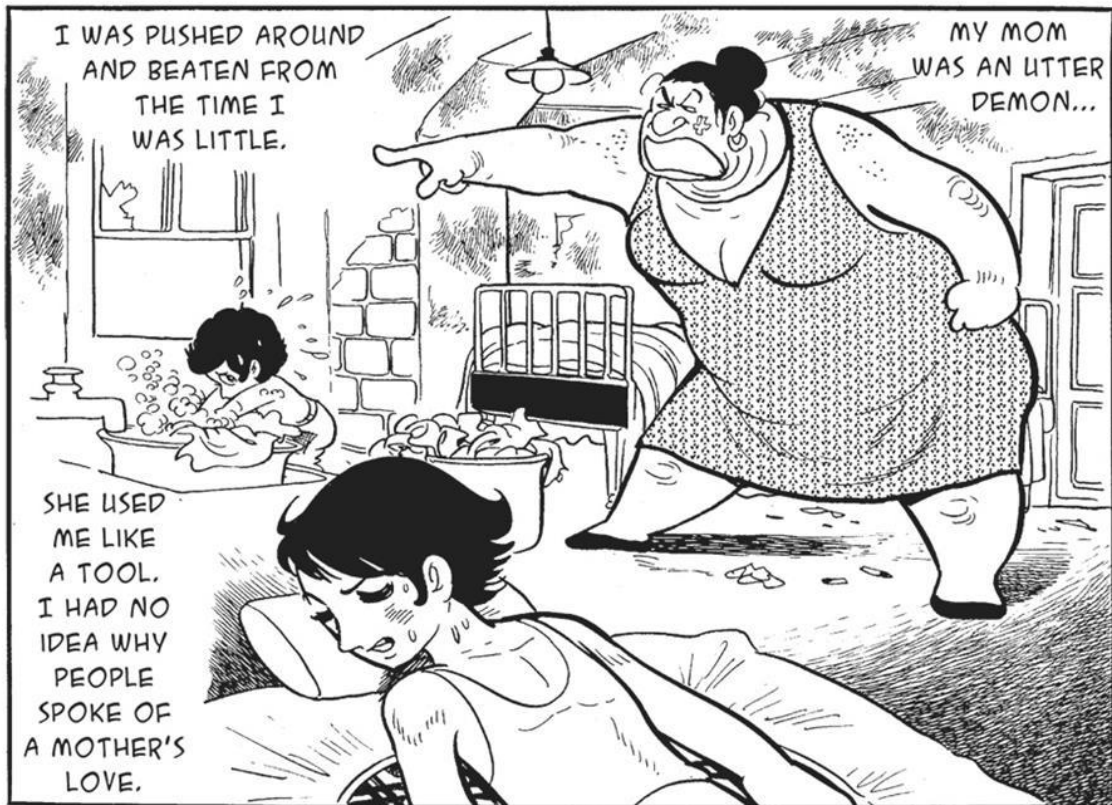


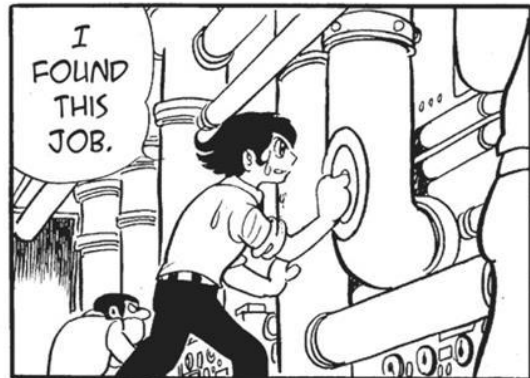
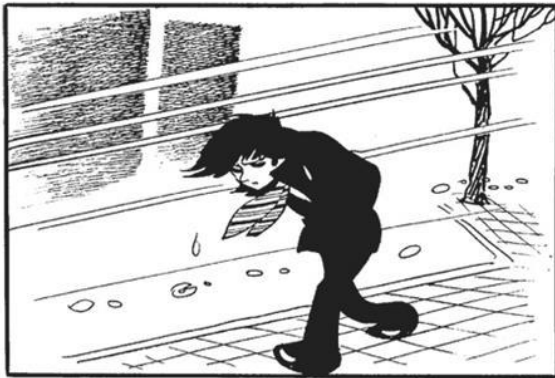


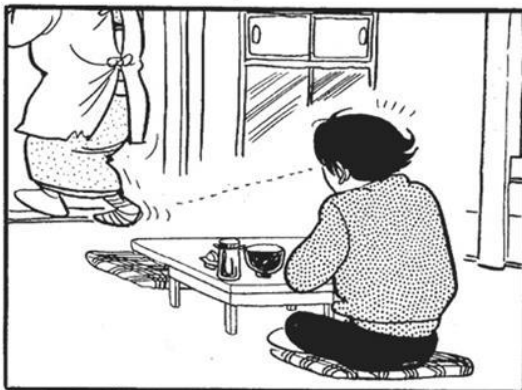
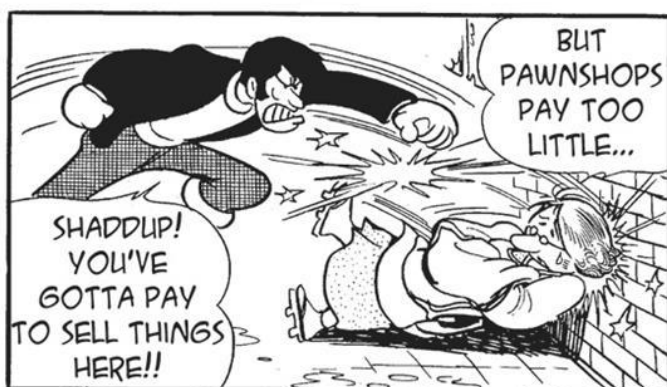


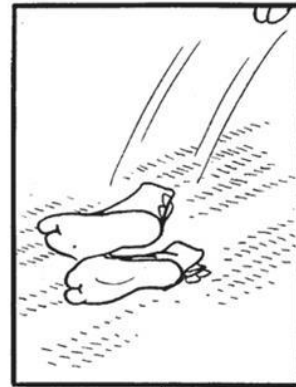




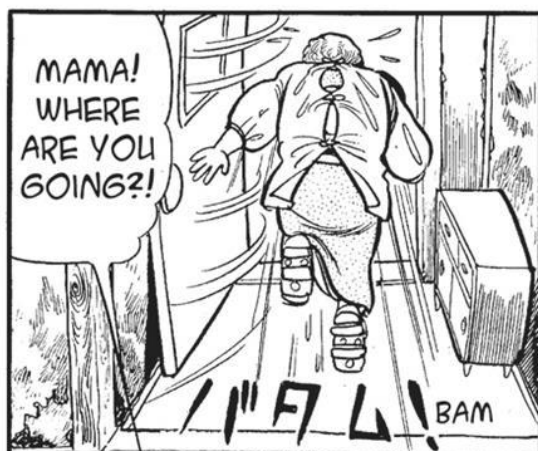


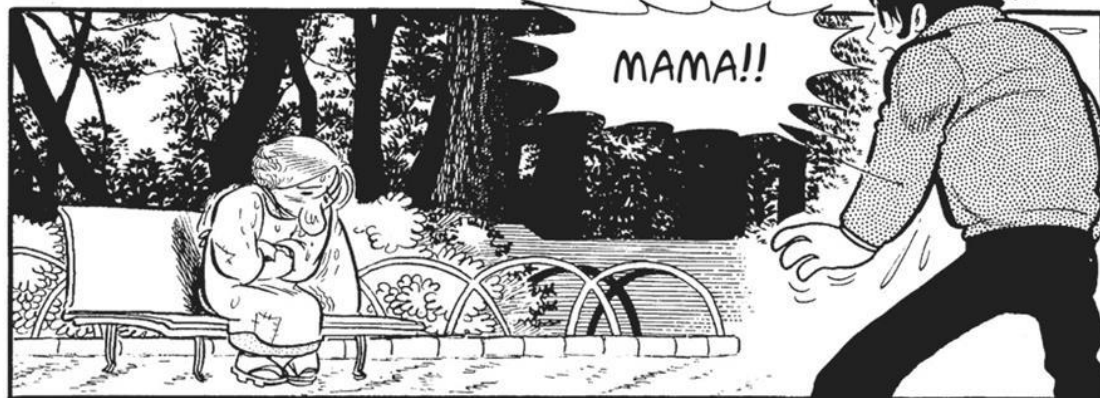
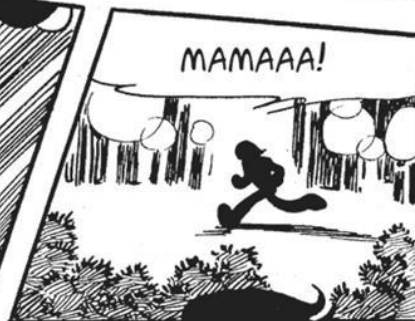
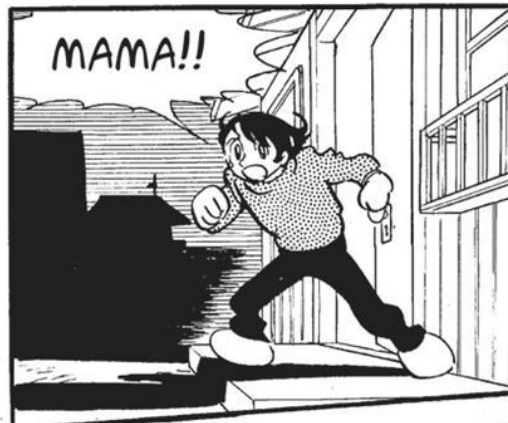


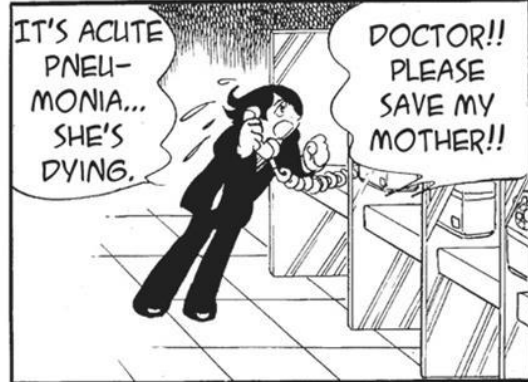
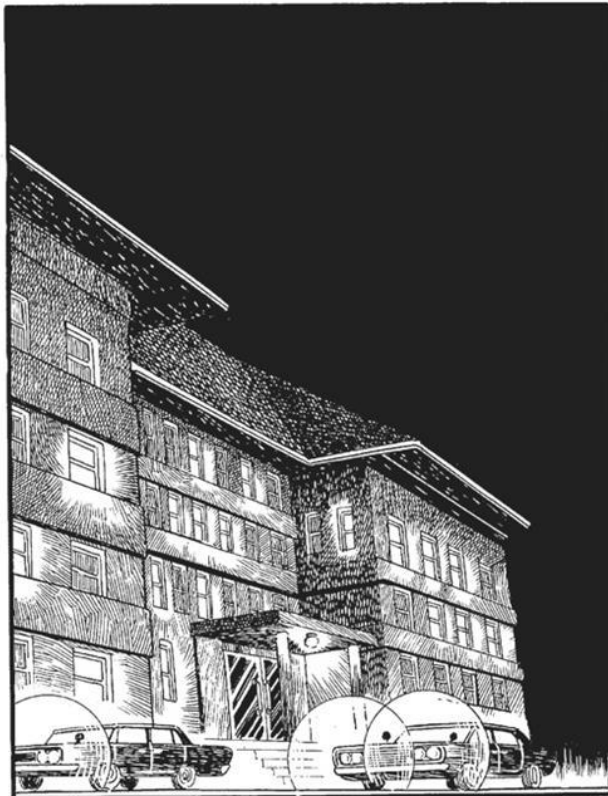
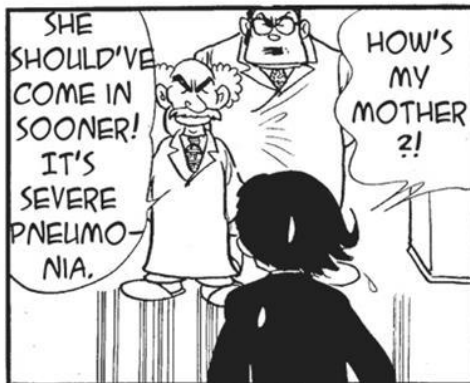


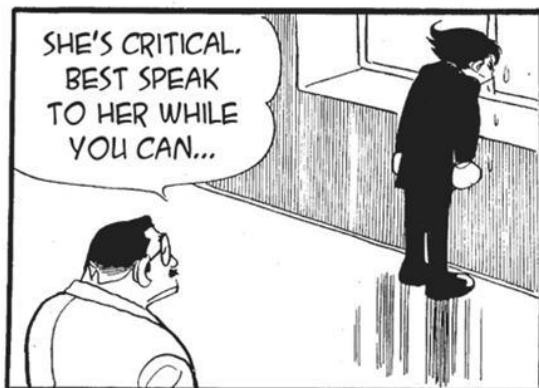














BUT RIGHT AWAY, THE OIL SHOCK
RUINED THE COMPANY,
AND I LOST IT ALL.

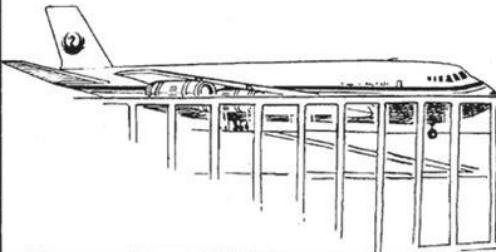


I COOLLY
GOT HOLD
OF HER
MANSION
AND
ASSETS.

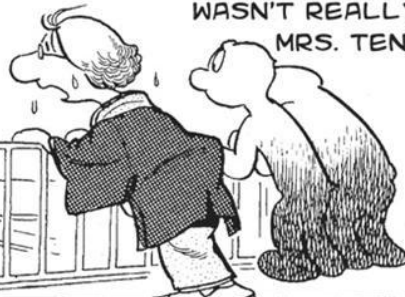


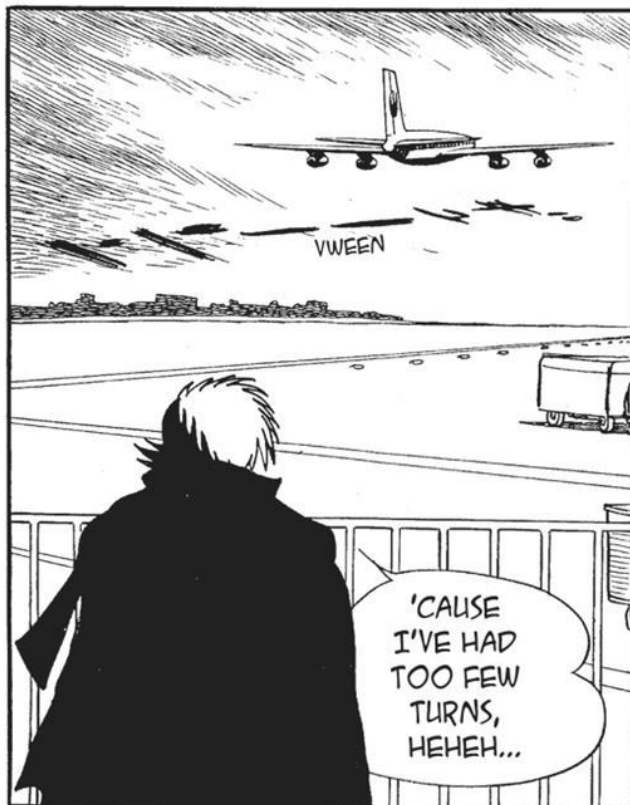
I TOOK
THE
PLACE
OF
THE LADY
WHO HAD
SUDDENLY
DIED.

AT THE END OF MY ROPE, I COULD
ONLY WAIT FOR YOU, HER ONLY SON,
TO RETURN FROM OVERSEAS.



I THEN COULDN'T
VERY WELL SAY THAT I
WASN'T REALLY
MRS. TENDO.





// A PEERLESS MEDICAL DRAMA //



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